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NRC fees threaten shut down of WPI's nuclear reactor

by Javier Diaz
Newspeak Staff

The recent Nuclear Regulatory Commission's (NRC) fees on licenses for nuclear reactor use and radioactive material handling threaten non-profit educational institutions to shut down their educational programs in the Nuclear Engineering (NE) and Biology/Biotechnology (BB) fields across the nation. Nevertheless, the proposed ruling on the "Restoration of the Generic Exemption From Annual Fees for Non-profit Educational Institutions" could be the solution to this dilemma.

NRC's measure eliminated the educational exemptions from annual fees which allowed non-profit educational institutions nationwide to make use of nuclear technology in their particular research activities. The new fees for licenses that affect WPI's NE and BB programs correspond to the amounts of \$62,000 for the use of the nuclear reactor, and \$14,000 for handling radioactive material, threatening to completely shut down the NE, and Genetic Engineering programs respectively.

"This threat to research comes from

a 1990 law that requires the NRC to pay for itself entirely through 'user fees', mostly by charging reactor operators the cost of licensing their facilities." The situation turned gray for educational institutions when Allied Signal Inc. (a company that handles radioactive material to be used by the reactors) sued NRC on the basis of not being able to compete with international companies that do not have to pay such fees. This pushed a federal court to reject the company's argument and, at the same time, to get rid of all the existing exemptions for non-profit educational organizations. Fortunately, a joint effort from several colleges and universities involved (WPI included) submitted a "petition for reconsideration" of the NRC passed rule asking to reinstate the educational exemption. Finally, after reconsideration, NRC devised the "Restoration of the Generic Exemption From Annual Fees for Non-profit Educational Institutions" giving these institutions the chance to justify whether they were eligible to receive this exemption.

WPI's nuclear reactor director, Leo

Bobek, and associate professor in the department of biology and biotechnology, David Adams, were interviewed concerning this issue.

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Bobek explained the situation involving WPI's nuclear reactor facility. "Our annual budget is \$100,000. An increase of 62% on this budget to

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cover the new fees would have a devastating effect on our NE program." The reactor's current budget is used to pay for the purchase of material needed for its functioning, maintaining the equipment, and research for the undergraduates in the NE field, mostly. Since 1959, when WPI's nuclear reactor was built, there has been an average rate of ninety students per year taking the introductory course for the NE program. Currently, the NE program has thirty six undergraduate stu-

dents and one graduate student, who would be directly affected by the nuclear reactor licensing problem.

Bobek also explained that the next step to follow is to write a letter to the NRC justifying the use of the reactor on campus. Therefore, the future of WPI's nuclear reactor depends on NRC's judgment on whether there is enough justification to exempt it from paying the annual fees.

How would the Genetic Engineering program be affected?

Prof. Adams was glad to explain the effect that the NRC fees could have on the Genetic Engineering program at WPI. Basically, "the budget for the Radiation Safety Officer (RSO) comes from the nuclear reactor facility." This implies that the program would be affected not only through the need to pay the fee for handling radioactive material in their biotechnology research, but also by devising a separate budget to pay for the RSO. Prof. Adams explained that his major concern about using isotopic techniques was the DNA sequencing. Without the use of radioactive isotopes in this process, it would be

really expensive to keep the Genetic Engineering program functioning. Prof. Adams estimated that in order to not use nuclear isotopes in the DNA sequencing, it would be necessary to purchase each gel needed for the process at \$150 per gel. He also mentioned that research in this area uses a lot of these gels and, therefore, it would not be possible to maintain the Genetic Engineering program.

Prof. Adams stressed the importance of the material license renewal in order to continue offering a good quality program for the Biology/Biotechnology students at WPI.

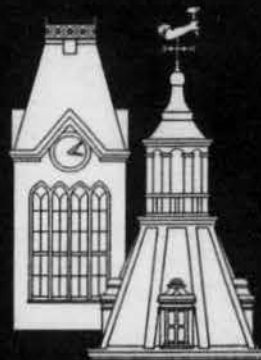
"A letter of justification will be sent to the NRC explaining the use of the radioactive materials in classes and research in the Genetic Engineering field," Prof. Adams said.

The restoration of the generic exemption from annual fees for non-profit educational institutions is of utmost importance to the continuation of WPI's NE and Genetic Engineering programs. The WPI community, in general, should be concerned about NRC's judgment on the letters that will be sent to this organization justifying, and seeking, exemption from these fees.

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NEWSPEAK

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Future looks bleak for SGA vans

by Mike Caprio
Newspeak Staff

SGA's Van committee is currently undergoing some major restructuring. Van chair Nat Fairbanks has been spearheading efforts to revamp the foundations of the committee, all the way down to the by-laws. The procedures surrounding the use of the three SGA vans are going to be going through several significant shifts including: the raising of current fees and costs (including the establishment of new fines) to cover losses, the expansion and improvement of current driving regulations to increase safety, and the implementing of several other new programs, including improved maintenance and scheduling.

Over the summer, while most students were on break, two of the vans

were subject to considerable damage, making them unavailable for this term. Several groups, including several sports club teams and residential advisors, expressed a lot of concern at last week's open meeting for the van committee, though it was otherwise sparsely attended. The temporary loss of the vans has caused no end of problems for the sports activities that previously used them the most; SGA was forced to grant special funding to the Men's Crew team to the amount of \$2000 so that they could contract buses over the course of their season.

However, the summer incidents were only the first clear sign of a much larger problem. Last year the cost of leasing the vans amounted to about \$8000, \$5000 of which was recovered through renting the vehicles, resulting in a net \$3000 loss, which SGA had to

cover. This means that there will be an inevitable increase in cost, in the area between \$30 to \$50 for a minimum charge, as opposed to the previous \$10 minimum fee. After that, cost is paid by the mile, still to be around thirty-five cents per mile. Senators Fairbanks states that the changes in cost reflect the payments necessary to break even with the vans.

Currently the van committee consists of three SGA members, a number which cannot satisfy the upcoming needs and changes outlined by the new regulations, according to Nat. The minimum number should at least be around 8, to fill new positions created by the reforms. These positions would include a chairman, a finance officer, a scheduling officer, and several maintenance positions for routine check-ups on the vans.

Specifically, the new regulations are currently as follows: First, all drivers will now be required to register with SGA by filling out the "application for college driving privileges" form, which in essence covers the vans for liability by causing the driver's personal liability insurance to kick in first. The availability of the vans will be limited in as much as groups with account numbers (like resident advisors and club sports) will be required to round up a registered driver before using a van. Currently, anyone will be able to become a registered driver, including faculty, staff and students; since groups that take extended trips will be handling the payment of the drivers for their services, there is an opportunity for people to earn extra money as a registered driver.

Second, a driver training program must be taken by all registered drivers, consisting of a once per term day-long training course to be administered by WPI staff; a letter from treasurer Sylvia Cucinotta estimated the cost of training the instructors to be around \$100 to \$150, and possibly will include paying for their instructing time as well.

Third, a driver pool will be established to provide driving services for those groups who would need to retain the services of a driver, followed by a clear-cut maintenance program to catalogue damage and recognize hazardous conditions, and the implementing a new computerized scheduling system to coordinate the drivers and van availability. Another step that may be taken would be to transfer the "high-use" club sports from the vans to outside busing contracts, which may help in lowering the usage of the vans, and alleviate maintenance somewhat.

As Nat puts it in his notes, "These are not administrative guidelines. These are the 'bare essentials' needed if SGA expects that insurance companies will continue to carry the 'risk' of [our] operating a 'motor pool'."

All this adds up to the possibility of disbanding. If the van committee cannot meet the new requirements recommended by their insurance agency, they will not be able to take care of the vans, suspending their service for the duration. When asked for an additional statement, Nat replied: "Show up for van committee meetings."



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Swim anyone?

One of the many poor souls who ended up diving into the murky depths of "The Pond" as the sophomores took their first step toward claiming the Goat's Head this year.

Sophomores Win Rope Pull!!!

These rugged students fought a difficult battle in the annual freshman-sophomore tug-of-war this past weekend at Institute Pond. The freshmen get two more chances to gain revenge this year.

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Rubella - What are we up against?

by Jason Hutt
Newspeak Staff

Rubella, also known as German Measles, is a viral infection which while troublesome to adolescents and adults is most dangerous to women in the earlier stages of pregnancy. If the virus is transmitted from the mother to the fetus, Rubella can lead to birth defects, objectively known as rubella syndrome, such as deafness, heart disease, mental retardation, cataracts, purpura, and cerebral palsy.

The symptoms include headaches,

followed by a rash. After the rash, inflammation of several of the joints may occur, accompanied with a bad fever and an enlargement of the lymph nodes.

The virus can be transmitted starting from a few days before the symptoms appear until a day after. The virus is transmitted through the air. Rubella can only be positively diagnosed by laboratory isolation of the virus from a throat swab or by identifying antibodies in the blood.

There is no specific treatment for Rubella.

SGA Election News

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NEWS

Student Government introduces electronic voting

by John Grossi, Sports Editor
and Megazone

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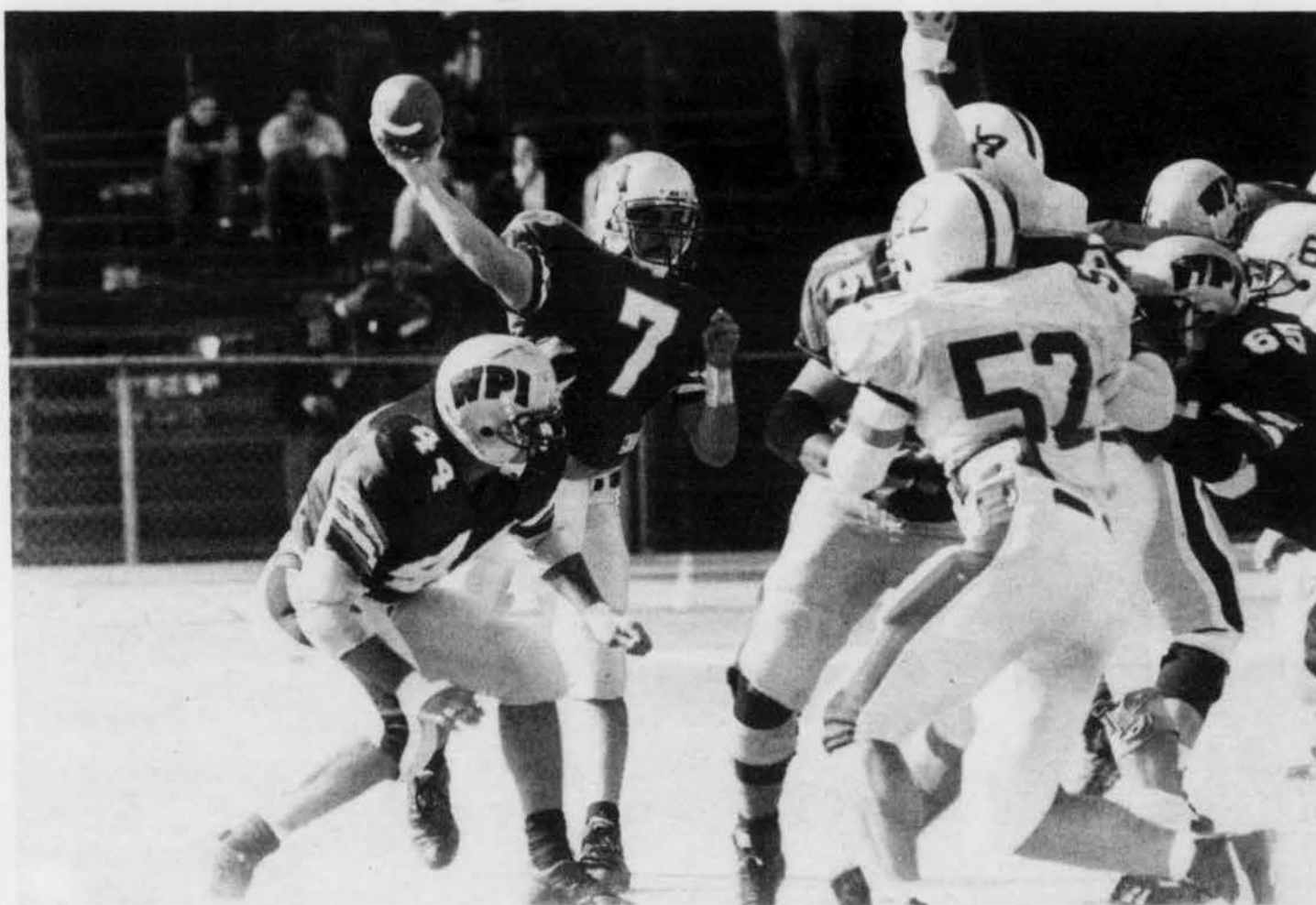
by John Grossi
Sports Editor

The Engineers of Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute came to Worcester last Saturday to play WPI's Engineers during WPI's homecoming festivities. In the end, they took home the Transit Trophy for the first time since 1988, winning 31-14 and dropping WPI to 0-3 on the season. The homecoming game brought 3,212 people to Alumni Field to watch the Engineers take on their arch-rivals from Troy. Unfortunately for WPI fans, most of the game was controlled by RPI.

WPI's first three drives ended in punts. WPI's kicker, Stan Farrell, had a great day. Farrell was *Newspeak's* pick for WPI player of the game with 9 kicks that covered 336 yards, with a long of 59 yards. During the first quarter, WPI's offense was stymied by RPI's defense and its defense lacked cohesiveness allowing RPI to make gains down the field. The defense did keep RPI out of the endzone, allowing only one field goal. The first quarter ended with WPI down 3-0 and within scoring distance on their own 41 yard line.

In the second quarter, RPI stopped WPI's drive and scored two unanswered touchdowns. After the score jumped to 17-0 in RPI's favor, a fan got the crowd on their feet. This enthusiasm was infectious and several Tom Burns passes to Jason Wooley put WPI in scoring range. Three plays later, WPI scored the first of its two touchdowns for the day.

The third quarter while much better for WPI still left RPI with the advantage. RPI's final drive of the quarter used up 7:08 of the third quarter, wrapping into the fourth quarter for another 1:20 and resulting in another score for RPI. This 85 yard drive crushed the Engineers' chance and put a win out of possibility. Both teams went on to score once more. The final score was 31-14. WPI football is now 0-3 for the season.



WPI quarterback Tom Burns attempts to pass while fullback Tony Padula holds off the RPI defenders.

Quarterback, Tom Burns, completed 11 of 39 passes for 135 yards. WPI had -1 yards rushing on the day due, in part, to three sacks. Jason Wooley led the Engineers' rushing and passing attack with 28 yards on 12 carries and 5 receptions for 72 yards.

WPI Water Polo splashing to success

by Josh Dobbelaar, '94
Water Polo Club President

Enough of that noise. WaterPolo fans, here's the projected scoop: On Saturday, October 9, we will be going to Bridgewater State College to compete with Bridgewater, probably Middlebury, and who knows whom else. Scheduling was still in progress at the time of this article's submission. After this weekend, we'll have a few weeks off, but we won't be finished. We still have a few more tournaments before the big two day final on November 6th or thereabouts.

And what have we done so far? The WPI Water Polo Club played against Holy Cross, Babson, and Trinity at Holy Cross on Saturday, Sept 25. We handily beat Holy Cross and Babson, but Trinity got away from us. Last

year, Trinity was the one team that kept us from having an undefeated season. I guess that's why they are playing in a higher level league (The Ivy League). But with the help of our awesome coach, Vladimir, and our eager and able new freshman compliment, we just may take Trinity down this year.

By the time this is published, Water Polo will have played in another tournament at Holy Cross on Sunday, October 3 against Babson, Holy Cross, and a third, yet unnamed team, possibly University of Rhode Island. We had high expectations for this tournament as well.

If you and your friends want to see WPI RAGING GEEK Water Polo in action, contact Josh at doobi@wpi or 793-0922. He'll give you the scoop and help you to get wherever we're going.

Volleyball!!!



The Women's Volleyball team suffered defeat at the hands of the visiting team from Wheaton College last Thursday night.

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by Andrew Watts
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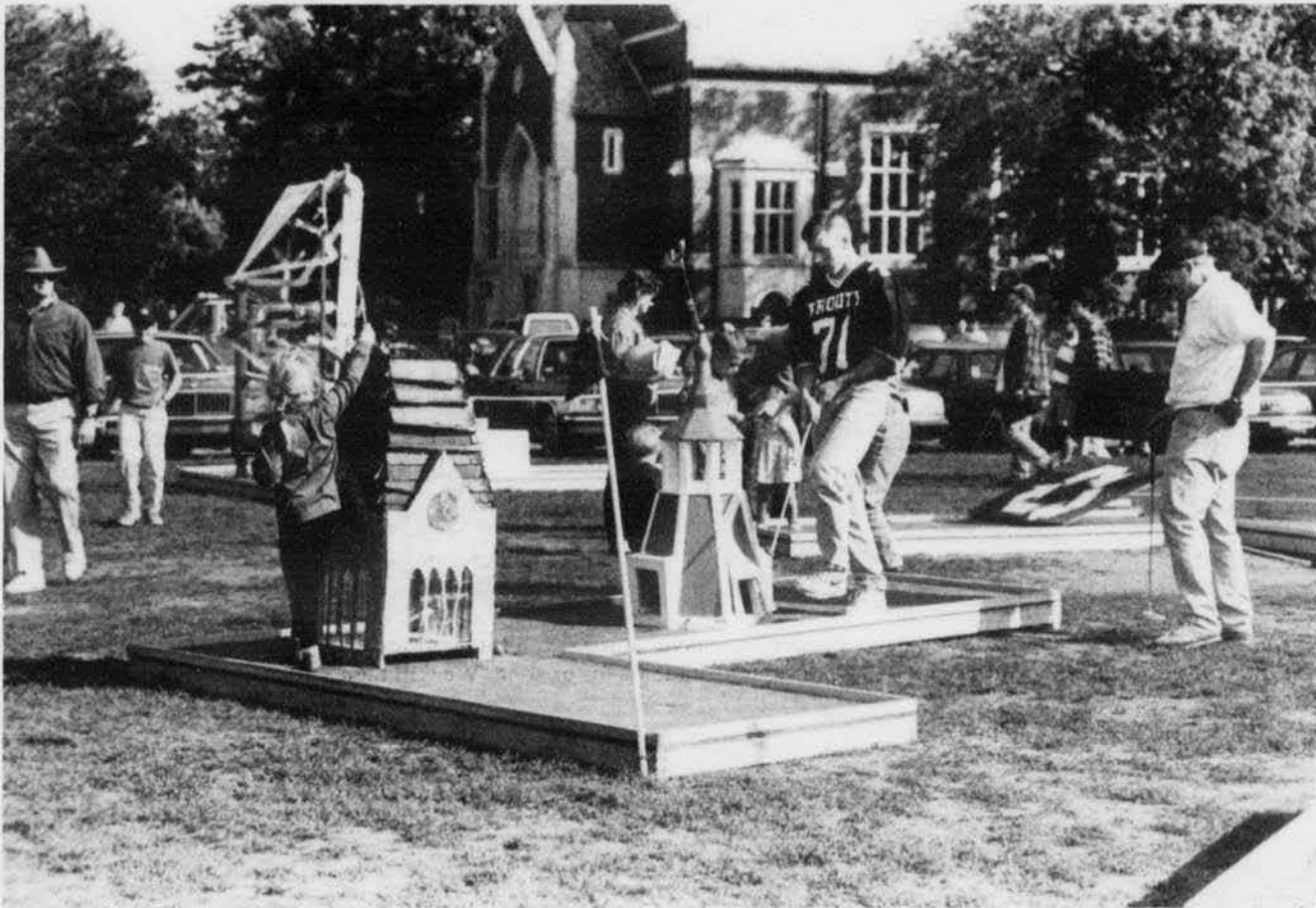
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I'm sorry I couldn't tell you more about this game but I am unable to do so without spoiling the plot of this intricately made role playing game. The skill of the game seems intermediate, a nice level for both novices and experts, and is alterable. The sight and sound of this game rivals all games currently on the market. The story line is very well made, and this surpasses many of the Sierra games on the market. This game deserves the high marks given. Digitized speech appears in the beginning, throughout some points in the game (when you receive a new spell) and probably, in the finale.

Homecoming's Mini Golf Adventure



NEWSPEAK STAFF PHOTO / DON SOCHA

Both students and visitors enjoy the Mini Golf Course set up on the quad last Saturday as part of the homecoming weekend activities.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Community Council announces time change

All future open campus meetings of the Community Council will be held at 4:30 p.m. in Perreault Hall. The time has been changed from 7 p.m. to make it easier for more people to attend. The meetings were scheduled in response to student concerns about not having been fully involved in the May 10 open meeting of the Blue Ribbon Task Force.

The council will meet in open session in the upcoming weeks according to the following schedule: Tuesday, Oct. 12, "Follow-On Process to the Blue Ribbon Task Force"; Wednesday, Nov. 10, "Parking"; and Monday, Dec. 6, "Campus Center."

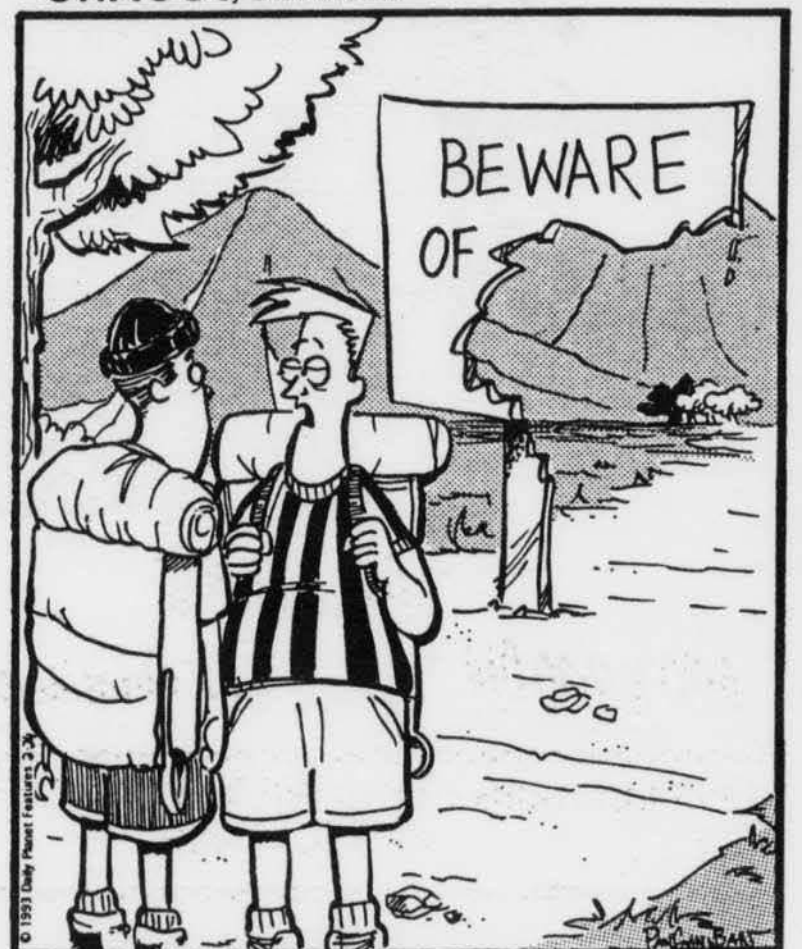
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CHAOS by Brian Shuster



"Just calm down, Phil. I brought an extra sign . . ."

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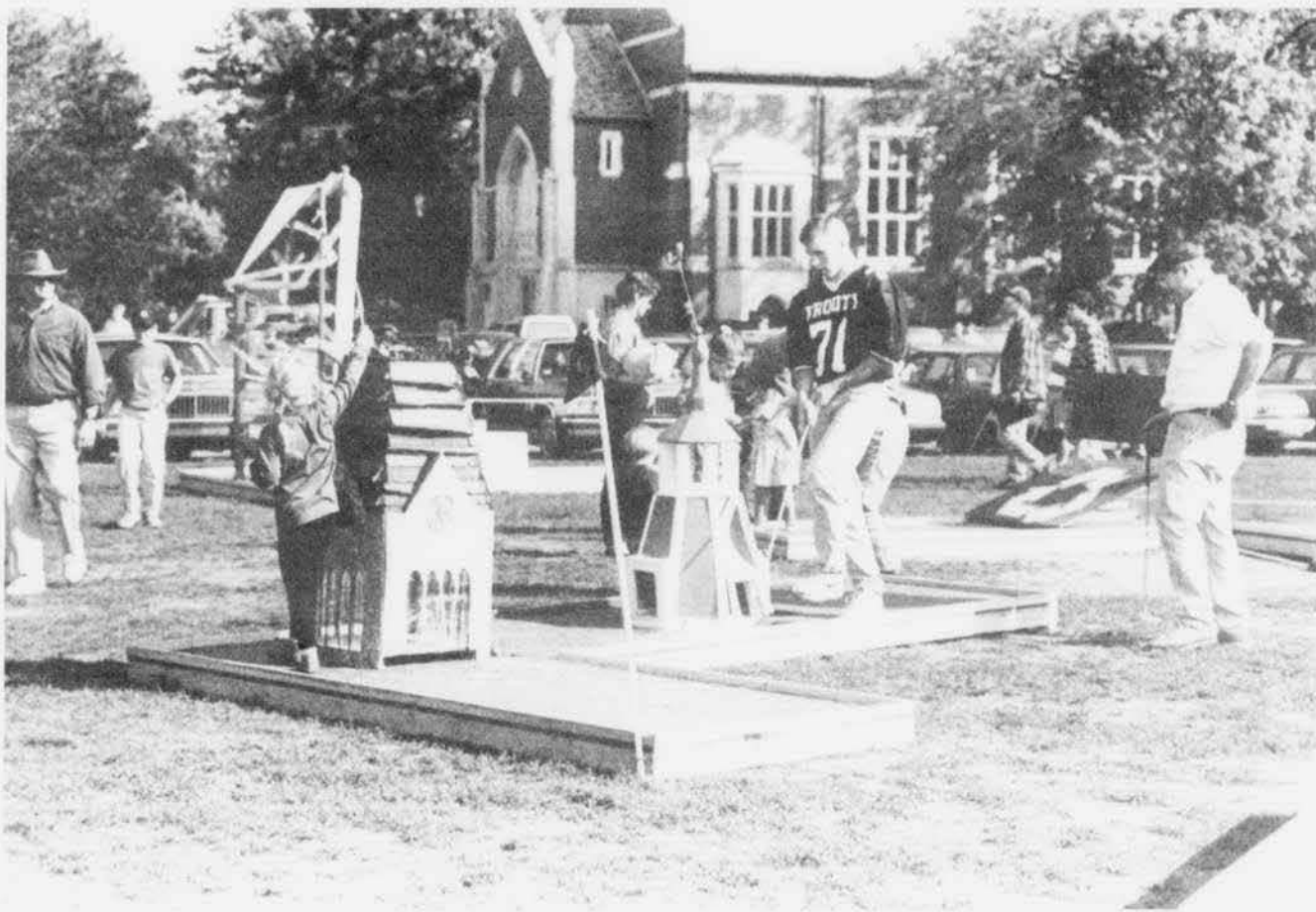
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I'm sorry I couldn't tell you more about this game but I am unable to do so without spoiling the plot of this intricately made role playing game. The skill of the game seems intermediate, a nice level for both novices and experts, and is alterable. The sight and sound of this game rivals all games currently on the market. The story line is very well made, and this surpasses many of the Sierra games on the market. This game deserves the high marks given. Digitized speech appears in the beginning, throughout some points in the game (when you receive a new spell) and probably, in the finale.

Homecoming's Mini Golf Adventure



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Both students and visitors enjoy the Mini Golf Course set up on the quad last Saturday as part of the homecoming weekend activities.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Community Council announces time change

All future open campus meetings of the Community Council will be held at 4:30 p.m. in Perreault Hall. The time has been changed from 7 p.m. to make it easier for more people to attend. The meetings were scheduled in response to student concerns about not having been fully involved in the May 10 open meeting of the Blue Ribbon Task Force.

The council will meet in open session in the upcoming weeks according to the following schedule: Tuesday, Oct. 12, "Follow-On Process to the Blue Ribbon Task Force"; Wednesday, Nov. 10, "Parking"; and Monday, Dec. 6, "Campus Center."

NEWSPEAK HUMOR

CHAOS by Brian Shuster



"Just calm down, Phil. I brought an extra sign..."

CHAOS by Brian Shuster



"Well, it couldn't have been too important or they would've finished the sign..."

STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

WORCESTER POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE
Student Government Association
Minutes for the meeting of September 29, 1993

I. Meeting called to order at 5:50.
II. ATTENDANCE: Executive Council: Warren Smale, Pres; Barbara Doyle, VP; Michelle Giglio, Treas.; Amy Scott, Sect.
At-Large-Senators: Kyle Stephens

On-Campus-Senators: Lexie Chutoransky, Cathleen Connelly, Ryan Daly, Nat Fairbanks, John Grossi, Daniel Larochelle, Chad Schools, Off-Campus-Senators: Mike Pereira
Parliamentarian: Dave Wheeler

III. PRESIDENT'S REMARKS: First for those who were interested the next Institute Budget Committee meeting was announced, it was Thursday, September 29 at 2:00 in the Gordon Library Archives Room. The senate was then re-

minded that there would be a Meet the Candidates night from 6:30 to 8:00 in Gompei's.

IV. OLD BUSINESS: None.
V. NEW BUSINESS: None.

VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Committee on Academic Operations: The committee is still currently discussing independent study courses that are invented by faculty in order to by-pass approval by the faculty.

- Campus Center: After interviewing many different campus groups some of the themes that have started to appear are needs for a food court, pub, lots of open space, and many windows.

- Community Council: On Monday, September 27 the Community Council hosted a Blue Ribbon Task Force (BRTF) meeting for under-

graduates to have an opportunity to hear the final BRTF Report, and express any ideas, concerns, etc. Due to the lack of turnout by the student

dents need to realize that this could be one of the most important times in the history of WPI, these proposals will shape the future of academics as we know it at WPI. This is our chance to change those things that we always complain about or dislike at WPI. If there are any students who would like to make an impact on the future of this institution and leave WPI a little better for all the students who will be coming here in the future they should speak up now.

- Educational Development Council: The final report with recommendations to the faculty Committee on Academic Planning is in John Grossi's box if anyone would like to read it and make comments.

- Public Relations: The committee is currently looking into having

a weekly column in Newspeak in an attempt to provide the student body with more interesting information about Student Government and what is currently going on, on campus, other than the weekly minutes from SGA meetings. They are also trying to form a list of priorities as far as what needs to be publicized now and what will need to be publicized in the future. The committee is open to any suggestions as how to more effectively reach the student body.

- Van Committee: The van committee **has to have more people**, in order for SGA to continue providing this service to the student body. The minimum number of people required to run the vans safely and efficiently would be five people, a chair, scheduler, financier, and two maintenance people. For the time being the van committee is re-writing the by-laws.

VII. Meeting adjourned at 7:00

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body Professor Hagglund challenged the WPI student body and Student Government to form proposals for the future of WPI similar to those the departments are forming. Some of the ideas for future academic programs at WPI are new and innovative majors like Technical Theater. *Stu-*

GRADUATE STUDENT ORGANIZATION

Thank you all for coming to our Barbecue party, about 70 people participated. We hope you enjoyed it. The pictures that were taken will be available at the next GSO meeting. If you want copies, contact Bert (bert@wpi).

News from the GSO Meeting, Sept. 29, 1993

The general themes were the activities in the different commissions and the election of new departmental representatives.

Here are The Minutes:
- The Commission on Student Advising will hold a 1.5 hour teleconference in Fuller labs, time and date tba.
- The CGSR is putting finishing

touches on a survey. This survey will be handed out together with spring registration. It will help analyze issues that are important for graduate students, thus enabling WPI and the GSO to be closer to the graduate students' needs.

- The Campus Center Committee has met and it is getting some pretty good ideas together. If you have wishes and ideas for the CC, tell us. The needs of graduate students are somewhat different from the undergraduates' and at this point

everything is still open.

- The Community Council meeting asks you to bring forward



any ideas that you have, concerning the restructuring of WPI.

- If you have ideas for further social events, contact Laura Paciorek (ljp@wpi). Also, if you enjoy organizing and helping with such events, let us know. We need reliable people for support here.

- All the nominees for department representatives have been accepted. If you would like to be a representative for the graduate students in your department, let us know. We would like to have about 3 representatives per department.

- The registrar should have a list of all the graduate students for us soon. We will then

send out the news via email to everybody. Until then, give us your email address if we don't have it yet.

- We will have two banners (6x4 and 3X2) with our logo on it soon. These will help people recognize GSO activities, wherever we are.

There will be a GSO executive meeting on Wednesday, October 6, 12:00 pm, location tba.

The next General GSO Meeting will be on Wednesday, October 13, 12:00 - 1 pm. Due to room changes the location will be announced separately.

Please feel free to show up. As usual, refreshments will be served.

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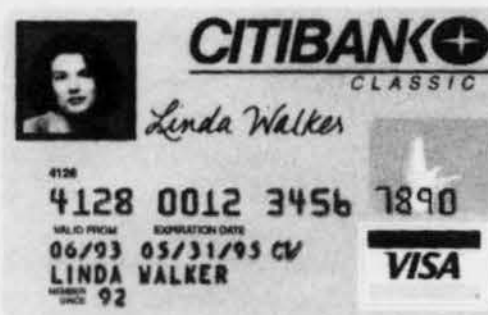
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for domestic flights.² Savings on mail order purchases, sports equipment, magazines and music also abound. Maximize these savings with a low variable interest rate of 15.4%³ and no annual fee, and you can significantly improve your personal bottom line (especially if one's *net* income tends to be pretty *gross*). Put another way, one might even have enough savings to reinvest in a CD or two (the musical kind, of course). ¶ On the way to the record store, or any store for that matter, take stock of the 3 services concerned with purchases made on the Citibank Classic card. **Citibank Price Protection** assures one of the best prices. See the same item advertised in print for less, within 60 days, and Citibank will refund the difference up to \$150.⁴ To protect these investments, **Buyers Security™** can cover them against accidental damage, fire or theft (ordinarily causes for Great Depressions) for 90 days from the date of purchase.⁴ And **Citibank Lifetime Warranty™** can extend the expected service life of eligible products up to 12 years.⁵ ¶ But perhaps the features which offer the best protection are your eyes, your nose, your mouth, etc.—all featured on **The Photocard**, the credit card with your photo on it. Carrying it can help prevent fraud or any hostile takeover of your card. (Insiders speculate that it makes quite a good student ID, too.) Even if one's card is stolen, or perhaps lost, **The Lost Wallet™ Service** can replace your card usually within 24 hours. ¶ So never panic. As we all know, panic, such as in the Great Panics of 1837, 1857, and 1929, can cause a downswing in a market. But with **24-hour Customer Service**, there's no reason for it. A question about your account is only an 800 number away. (Panic of the sort experienced the night before Finals is something else again.) ¶ Needless to say, building a credit history with the support of such services can only be a boost. You're investing in futures—that future house, that future car, etc. And knowing the Citibank Classic Visa card is there in your wallet should presently give you a sense of security, rare in today's—how shall we say?—fickle market. ¶ To apply, call. Students don't need a job or a cosigner. And call if you'd simply like your photo added to your regular Citibank Classic Visa card. Here's the number: **1-800-CITIBANK, extension 19.** ¶ The Law of Student Supply and Demand states, "If a credit card satisfies more of a student's unlimited wants and needs, while reducing the Risk Factor in respect to limited and often scarce resources—with the greatest supply of services and savings possible—then students will demand said credit card." So, demand away—call.

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COMMENTARY

Epimetheus Speaks: Sex, Sex, Sex!

Wow! Epimetheus is talking about sex this week! Cool! I love reading about sex! It's just so damn naughty!

Ahem. Now that you've gotten that out of your system, let's talk seriously about the "dirty act". Bumping uglies. Rockin' and rollin'. Doing the nasty. We all know what I'm talking about. Everyone thinks about sex; you can't help it. It's built in, a survival mechanism - spread your genes, proliferate the species. It's a perfectly natural biological act, and it's one of the things that brings humans together; it's something in common we can all share, like our own mortality. Humanity is driven by sex, there is no doubt

about that. However, there has been concern over the degree to which people are motivated by it. If one was to ask Freud, for example, he'd probably start foaming at the mouth and calling for his mother.

One could easily be of the opinion that all of history has been the reflection of the pursuit of sex. An extreme view, to be sure, but maybe not as much off the mark as we'd like to think - look at the Trojan Wars, where an entire war was fought over one woman, or Shakespeare's *MacBeth*, where the promise of sex motivates a man to kill. The animal within us cannot be denied, try as we might. But denial is exactly what we engage in,

daily, unconsciously. Clothes help provide the illusion that people aren't inherently sexual - hiding the "forbidden" areas is a must. Sex is also relegated to being a private act, one that is not inherently public, suited only for certain rooms of the house - yet that is also a more induced by society.

You shouldn't necessarily think that I'm against these measures, in fact, I'm all in favor of at least a few of them. They're quite necessary in more than one way. I for one, would not dare to give up the feeling I get when I see a beautiful woman in scanty lingerie - if everyone were naked all the time, I'd hardly have a reason to get excited over the

possibility of seeing a person naked again - in fact, in such a society, dressing would be the sexual innuendo, as opposed to undressing. But there's more to it than even just that.

Robert Pirsig is a fabulous author, and I recommend you read any one of his works. His most recent success is the novel *Lila*, subtitled *An Inquiry into Morals*. In it, he describes a philosophical system of his own devising, known to most as the Metaphysics of Quality. He goes into greater depth with this system in his earlier works; it is basically his own method for dealing with what he considers reality, and it works really well. At any rate, he manages to make an interesting classification - he establishes a hierarchy, if you will, to demonstrate the descending priorities of what he loosely terms "moral-ity". His idea of what is moral is according to this classification - something is more morally important if it is higher on the ladder.

Phew. That was a mouthful - if you can understand that on the first read, you're a better person than me. Pirsig's hierarchy of moral patterns is as follows: inorganic patterns, biological patterns, social patterns, and intellectual patterns. Without going into any more depth, let's just say that biological imperatives must be superseded by social imperatives. As Pirsig says, it is more moral to be follow social patterns than purely biological ones. It's a pretty obvious thing, once you think about it. Society is much more important than immediate biological need, for the majority of us, anyway. Therefore, it is necessary to suppress some of the sexual nature so as not to express all of it - at least to preserve society.

So we've established some necessity for "hiding" humanity's innate sexual nature, though some would still disagree, even with the cost of society in the balance. But to go to the opposite extreme, we can scrutinize total repression of sexual nature. I hardly see how this can be possible, just as I can't readily see how we can totally comfortably embrace our sexual selves at this time in history. I recall a religious group from early American history that believed in total repression of human sexuality; fortunately or unfortunately, they all died off, not being able to reproduce and thus pass on their non-sexual tendencies. You tell me what's wrong with this picture.

If you try to hold back the innate tendencies of human nature, you not only end up fighting a losing battle, you also end up creating worse problems for yourself later on. It's just not possible to hold back the floodwaters for very long; if you dam up the river long enough, it's going to overflow. If you expose someone to sex for sixteen hours a day, constantly stimulating and arousing them, and then prevent them from channeling their sexual energies into a constructive outlet... well, you tell me what you think is going to happen. Obviously, they're going to explode - one way or another, they'll find an outlet, whether it's through violence, or anger, or just passion, they'll find a way to get rid of it.

There are ways to avoid the negative outlets - some people adopt strict exercise regimens, some are properly trained to keep it inside (causing worse internal damage through stress). But there are others who use a less accepted form of release - pornography. Some are willing to argue that pornography causes more stress than it releases, which is true in a lot of ways. Porn is indeed another method of stimulation that we don't necessarily need, considering the massive amount we already receive. And yet, there is a way to reconcile these feelings. If we made a conscious effort to further embrace our sexuality, say like, making pornography less of a business and more of an art; like showing our children what the sexual experience is like when it is heightened with loving emotion, instead of the industrial pumping spectacle we show in the video stores. Sex is not something we should avoid; it is something we should control, but not something we should hide. One of the teachings of the Buddhist Zen master Suzuki is that to "retain control over an animal is to give it a large open pasture to graze in."

In the throes of the human experience we call everyday life, it's not entirely uncommon for two people to end up clinging to each other for warmth against the cold indifference of the universe. Note that I said two people; all people are the same underneath, regardless of gender, regardless of race/ethnicity, regardless of social influence. People all have the same feelings, the same problems, the same fears and hopes. People are, and people love.

In the end, we're all alone. In the end, we only have each other.

Hip Hop Hooray...

by Michael Pereira
Class of '94

Hey Ho...Can I have your attention. Have you heard all the things happening on the campus??? Have you read all the possible changes that will affect you??? Here are three quick ones: Where are we going to park? What's up with this Campus Center? What's these Blue Ribbon Task Force Recommendations that could change WPI's Academics, forever?

Wait... You might think this is just another boring article, (and it probably might be) but if you don't read it...You might one day wake up wondering if you're still at WPI, because of all the possible changes.

[Begin Political note] WPI's Community Council exists today to help the different WPI constituencies to communicate and hopefully reach consensus about issues that affect everyone. [End Political Note] What's this mean, you might ask? It means that this Council headed by President Strauss will bring issues that affect everyone to open meetings, present them and ask the community what direction

we want to take.

I know pretty abstract. Here's an example. Let's say hypothetically that the Secretary of the Faculty stood up at an open Community Council meeting and challenged students to come up with proposals for new and innovative curriculums. (something consistent with the recommendations of the Blue Ribbon Task Force) "...huh? What's that mean?..." Well (this hypothetical vision) that students took up the challenge and came up with...a Technical Theater major. Yeah, why not. The future is definitely going to be more technologically based. How about a curriculum designed to meet the needs of Theater in the next century...

Sounds farfetched doesn't it. The first part happened already, the Secretary of the Faculty Ray Hagglund did challenge students to come up with what they want to be the future of WPI academics...the WPI Plan II? The second part is up to the students, do we as students want to help design the future of WPI? Can we organize ourselves for this challenge?

Interested yet?

How about the parking issue? Have you ever had trouble finding a spot on campus? If

you have a car, it's almost guaranteed that you have had trouble at one point or another. They're not paving Higgin's Lawn, yet. So what's the solution? How about if a parking committee was formed with a variety of members from the community and they were to present options to all of us at an open Community Council meeting, and we tell them what we want. (Sounds more interesting.) What about if the same thing were to be done with the Campus Center options. Say, a committee was formed that went out and asked the people to come up with what they want in and out of a Campus Center; presented this conglomeration to the community and asked, "Is this it? Is this the WPI Campus Center, we want?"

Guess what. All this is happening.

If you want to take a closer look, maybe get involved in seeing the school become what we want it to be. Mark on your calendar Tuesday October 12, 4:30pm in Perreault Hall...the Community Council discusses their role, all these issues, and a time frame where we can respond to all the issues. (not limited to the ones mentioned)

We are at a point where we all can make the decisions, we all can take responsibility.

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EDITORIAL

Blue Ribbon Task Force leaves WPI student community in a fog

On Monday, September 27, at 7pm in Perreault Hall, the Blue Ribbon Task Force and the Community Council held their first open campus meeting of the school year. Attendance was very low. Only about 40 students, faculty and staff showed up - most of them members of the Council or the Task Force. After last year's uproar concerning the scheduling of the May 10 meeting, it should be surprising that Perreault was not packed. Monday was intended to review and expand upon last spring's meeting. So where was everyone?

President Strauss gave introductions at the beginning of the meeting. He prefaced his speech with, "I assume the community thinks things are going well and that we are doing a good job since they chose not to attend." Is President Strauss right? Does the WPI community believe things are running smoothly and they are not needed in the decision-making process? Is the WPI community even aware of the decisions that the administration is faced with currently? A quick review: the Blue Ribbon Task Force is concerned with three broad facets of WPI: Quality of Life, Academic Experience, and Financial Equilibrium. The Task Force presented many ideas concerning each of these areas Monday night. They acknowledged that WPI should have a campus center and a solution to the parking problem. In addition, they see a need for integrating the graduate program into the mainstream of WPI. One of the biggest changes that the members of the Task Force want is in curriculum. They want to make it more flexible by introducing new programs comprised of interface technologies. Financially, WPI is going to have to

restructure its system, in order to afford the many changes that will be made with or without community input.

These are not simple little problems that are being dealt with here. The administration is basically discussing turning WPI into something new - something that will sell in the future. The words interface technology are used a lot. What do they mean? The Task Force says that they want to create new programs like technical theater and environmental law. They also want to change the amount of time we go to school and how we pay for it. We are the ones that are going to have to live with these changes - not the administration. We are the ones who will have to succeed at these programs in order for WPI to look good and to continue ranking number one in *US News and World Report*. This type of situation requires total community input - not just the ideas of a select few. So where was everyone Monday night? Why was there such poor attendance? The answer is very simple - lack of communication.

It's ironic that this is the case with the Community Council and the Blue Ribbon Task Force. These two groups have formally written that they want to adopt proactive community mechanisms. In other words, they say that they want the entire campus involved, however the entire campus is not. The truth of the situation is very few people were even aware that this meeting was to take place. Why? Because the meeting was not well advertised - it was the typical poor communication between the administration and the students. *Newspeak* ran an announcement about the meeting the week before it took place and

on the day of the meeting, someone posted a message about it to the WPI newsgroups on the computer network. SGA also posted a few flyers on the bulletin board outside their office. It was a very small amount of advertising considering our large population. Why did President Strauss and Provost Apelian, the chairs of the Community Council and the Blue Ribbon Task Force respectively, not do more? Why did SGA, our representatives to the administration, not become more involved in getting students to this meeting? If the students are so important, why was the effort put forth so weak? Even a mass mailing would have helped touch base with the student body; however, a member of the Council/Task Force stated that such a mailing would be too complicated. What does that really say? Perhaps the Task Force and the Council would like to see student involvement when they do not have to extend much of an effort.

The Provost charged Warren Smale, president of SGA, to "get everyone together and we'll do this again." He made it SGA's responsibility to get the word out to the student population. In this past week, however, little has been said or done about it. The Task Force will move on with or without student involvement. So why is time being wasted? It is time for students to act now and let the administration know exactly what they think of how things are run. If SGA is not willing to take the initiative, then the student body has to do it on its own. There are three more open campus meetings scheduled to occur before Christmas break, plan to attend each of them and be ready to voice your opinion.

COMMENTARY

Just a Thought

A Boomer Responds

by Stephen Brown
Protestant Campus Ministry

A few weeks ago, one of my fellow columnists, Prometheus, took a whole column to grieve about his generation the *X Generation* that has been taken advantage of and left with barely nothing by my generation, The *Baby Boomers*. He also trumpeted the technological expertise that his (X) generation had over us (Boomers) which will be our downfall. After wiping the tears from my face (from crying or laughing, I'm not sure I can tell, just yet.), I decided that someone from the older generation ought to respond to the writer's emotional breakdown.

First, we are not the namers or labelers. The title of Baby Boomer was laid on me before I was a high school graduate. As for the "X Generation," again, you'll have to look elsewhere for that moniker. Blame the media...all those wonderful people at *Time Magazine* and the *New York Times*...they cannot write any news article without labeling everything in sight. If you don't like the name, come up with your own.

Second, spare me the crocodile tears about how bad the X generation has it and we Boomers have it all. Contrary to the media hype, there are far more Boomers who are unemployed, on welfare, or just making it through life than the rich Yuppies (I hate that word and never, ever consider being one of "them".) The media may think we all went to college and got rich, but trust me, it ain't necessarily so.

And you want to know what happened to much of the flower of my generation. There is this Wall down in

Washington that has some 58,000 names of my generation....names of friends, sons, husbands, brothers: five of my high school classmates are on that wall. Then there are those who did make it back and who live with the nightmares, who have turned to drugs or violence or something else to numb out the horror of the napalm and the booby traps. When you and your generation face the choice of school or the draft, Canada or Nam, volunteer or

resistance, then come tell me how tough your X generation has it.

Third, whether you believe it or not, we Boomers have a lot of stake in your success or failure. For me, it is personal. My son is 19, my daughter will be 16 in six weeks. That by my calculations makes them charter members of the X generation. Every night I go to bed wondering what will happen to them...wondering if they will be the first generation that will not have it as

good as their parents. If you think that causes me some satisfaction in the so-called victory of my Boomer generation, you're crazy.

Is there someone to blame for all of this? I could say Reagan and Bush, but then the majority of us hippie, rich Boomers voted for those two clowns! (Though I was not one of them.) Can the Bubba Boomers Bill and Al clean up the mess. I think they will give it a try. Is the solution a contest, or gen-

eration warfare between the Boomers and X'ers? Well, if it is, I guess here is another war I'll have to protest and sit out.

Ben Franklin had it right. "Either we all hang together or we shall surely all hang separately." Let's declare a ceasefire. Let's work out this future of ours together.

Motoring News

Preparing for Worcester's winter

by James Aduskevich
Class of '96

Well, it looks like it's winter once again here in Worcester. Hopefully you all have bought a vehicle, and are now thinking about winter driving. Before you go flying off into a blinding blizzard, make sure your car will get you safely back home.

The first thing to do is make sure your vehicle is ready for the cold weather. Check your coolant for anti-freeze content. There are inexpensive testers available at any auto parts store which will tell you the minimum temperature the coolant is good for.

Winter is also a good time to change your oil and switch viscosities. Check your owner's manual for its recommendation, but a good rule of thumb is to go one range thinner. (Oil is classified by numbers which show the vis-

cosity. The numbers are higher for the thicker oils, e.g. 10w30 is thinner than 10w40, 5w30 is thinner than 10w30, etc.) The thinner oil moves faster when cold, allowing easier starting and more oil protection at start-up.

Make sure the valve stems on the tires all have caps in them. Otherwise they can fill with water and freeze. Along those lines, it's a good idea to lightly oil the locks and latches. This helps prevent water from freezing in them and thus locking you out of your car.

Finally, check your battery, windshield wipers, and heater. If the car's engine is turning over slowly, have the battery load-tested by a competent person, and any problems solved soon. Winter is the hardest time on a battery,

so if it is going to fail, it probably will be now. The windshield wipers should be replaced with special winter blades which are available at most parts stores. The winter blades are entirely covered with rubber to prevent them from being clogged with ice and snow. Finally, make sure that the heater and defroster are both working correctly and the ducts are not plugged up with debris.

There are also some things you should make sure you have with you. An ice scraper is invaluable on a cold morning when you are late to class (I did not have one this morning and ended up scraping my windows with a cassette case.) Jumper cables, a tow rope, and tire chains are also cheap insurance, but watch out since tire chains should not be used over 15mph

and can not be used on some cars. Check with your owners manual or dealer. If you have a rear wheel drive car, then put a couple bags of sand in the trunk. This aids traction because of the weight and can be put under the tires if you get stuck on a patch of ice. If you have a front wheel drive car, keep a small bag somewhere forward, like under the front seat. The final handy item is a shovel. If you can not fit a full size one in your car, there are many folding or collapsible shovels available at most department stores. This can help you get out of your parking spot when you get plowed in, and can help get you out if you get stuck.

I'll be back next week continuing with winter driving. Until then, good luck and happy motoring!

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Concerns about untimely crime notification

To the Editor:

I became very troubled after reading last week's lead article concerning crime and safety at WPI. This article mentions that a student was mugged on September 14th, possibly with a knife. The story then goes on to explain how both the WPI and Worcester police are currently investigating "four other robberies that occurred on the side streets late in the evening near campus" which may have been committed by the same suspect(s). Five muggings on or near campus and the WPI student body isn't notified until two weeks later! I find this to be more than a little scary...

I realize that the student body at WPI isn't comprised of children. We are all aware of the dangers of living in a city like Worcester and the extra

precautions that should be taken to insure safety. However, when the WPI police are investigating a specific crime that is being committed repeatedly, the student body should be warned - IMMEDIATELY.

In my four years here, I've received several general notices in campus mail regarding crime on campus. Most of the time, the crimes that the students are warned about occurred weeks before, rendering the "emergency warning" pointless. Maybe it's time for Campus police and Residential Services to develop a plan to insure that WPI students are made aware of the specific crimes that are being committed on campus in a timely manner.

Brian R. Boisvert
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EDITORIAL

The Student Government Association owes us an explanation

WPI is undergoing major revisions in its outlook for the next century. At this time, plans are being made which will affect the academic future of WPI. Thankfully, the administration, the Big "A," is looking for student input, as they should. But, where does the Big "A" look to find these students who will explain the student body's views to them? The Student Government Association (SGA). The administration has no choice. They have to look somewhere and these SGA senators are SUPPOSED to represent the campus since they were elected into their positions. The administration doesn't have the time, or the resources, to look for student representatives to serve on the committees they develop and for which they want student representation. These senators are supposed to be leaders within our community so they are given the task of finding students for committees such as the Blue Ribbon Task Force and the Community Council, to name only a very few.

But, do you even know who the SGA senators are? Could you name more than one or two? If you don't know the answers to these questions, don't feel bad, you are not alone. How many times have you been approached by a senator with a question about your views on a topic?

The administration doesn't tell SGA to put only

senators in these positions. However, many of these positions go to SGA senators. SGA could tell the campus community about these opportunities in one form or another and try to get non-senators onto these communities. Why this isn't done, I'm not quite sure. It appears that senators are always offered these positions first, perhaps as a reward for "winning" their seat. Yet, how can they claim to be representative of what students want when elections are held like this year's. There are 15 off-campus positions available during this week's election. There are only 10 people running for these positions. What if you don't like one of the people running? That's just too bad because, playing a simple numbers game, they'll be elected anyway.

This raises a point. Why are all of these people elected at once? Students tend to lose track of who to vote for if they have to vote for a lot of people at once. Besides, there's no reason for students to bother to vote when the outcome of the election is already assured.

Right now, the senate appears to be a large clique. They take the views and opinions of their members (senators) and the few friends they might talk to in a day and present these views to the administration and the Trustees as the "campus-wide view" on different issues.

Do you want your future decided by people you don't even know? What right does this select group of individuals have to decide the future direction of the important issues facing WPI?

The issue comes down to a sense of responsibility. With the current organization, SGA senators have no sense of responsibility to a particular set of constituents. This results in representation of a few special interests presented by the few who run for election and get into office.

But SGA could do more. They could divide the campus into different constituencies. One suggestion is to divide the campus by departments and have the senators represent an academic department and its students.

I encourage you to write in candidates on your ballot form if you find that there are other people you would rather see elected. Also, don't ignore the candidates' letters in this issue. Although they don't tell you much about the candidates, it's probably all the information you will ever see from the people who will represent YOUR interests over the course of the next year. The people who will be elected SGA senators this week hold powerful positions. They owe us a sense of responsibility. They owe the student population an explanation.

SGA PRESIDENT'S LETTER

To the Student Body,

The Student Government Association is NOT an island! We exist to serve and listen to YOU! We look for YOUR input! We encourage YOU to ask questions! We encourage YOU to bring up issues! We encourage YOU to get INVOLVED!

As President, I have attempted to solicit the input and enthusiasm of the Student Body. I have been confronted with frustration and a feeling of con-

fusion. From my Senate, I have seen a lack of vigor—a lack of purpose—this WILL change! However, I am still tormented by a feeling of utter uselessness. Am I, as President, responsible for handing down edicts to the unthinking masses of WPI? The answer is NO. The student body of WPI represents a dynamic cross-section of cultures, backgrounds and ideas, and as such should be able to provide critical input on CURRENT issues, identify NEW issues, and more im-

portantly, be the primary proponents of policy for the FUTURE of WPI.

We are now looking at the end of A-Term. What have we accomplished as a student body? Virtually NOTHING at all! Student Government has been attempting to re-organize the VAN system into a safe system, and there has been very little constructive interest in the whole process. Student Government has been running programs to educate the community on what Senators do and who they are.

The meager turn-outs undoubtedly reflect the interest level. The level of concern is also reflected in the number of petitions received for the Senatorial Elections (31 petitions for 28 positions)!

This MUST change! What do YOU want us to DO for YOU?

How DO YOU want to be INVOLVED?

and How should WE keep you IN-

FORMED?

If YOU truly CARE!

Drop suggestions in the box in the SGA Office located in Daniels Hall!

Thank You For Your Time,

Warren Smale
SGA President

NOTE: SGA meetings are held at 5:45 every Wednesday afternoon in the Lower Wedge.

SGA ELECTION CANDIDATES

On-Campus

On-Campus Senator- Jason D. Averill

Hello WPI. As an RA in the Stoddard complex, I am in touch with the needs and concerns of the on-campus student body. I am willing to fight for the issues that will benefit the WPI community, such as the Campus Center and continuance of the van program. I would appreciate your vote and I thank you in advance.

On Campus Senator - Prakash Bhatia

Hi everyone,

My name is Prakash Bhatia, but many call me Malcolm for some strange reason. I'm writing to tell you all that I'm running for the post of senator. In my high school in England, I was the treasurer of the Student Senate, and I have had the experience of understanding how and why the Student Government works. I have many ideas to contribute not only to the Student Government, but to the University as a whole. Some of my ideas are:

1. To do my best in inviting representatives from each major club to be part of the Student Government body, so they could give their views or ideas that would help the Student Government a great deal.

2. To contribute my ideas of what we should have in the campus center. For example, I believe we should have pool tables, some arcade games, a recreational center having table tennis, a dart section and many more. I have visited some colleges which have these facilities that contribute to the social life of those institutions. We as a student body want a campus center built as soon as possible, and if we wait it will be too long before we have one.

3. To help raise funds for the campus center by expressing ideas to the Student Government so they could establish some fairs or programs to help get the funds which will be put in a safe place for the campus center. And asking the clubs to help do this for the Student Government. So we the students of WPI can enjoy this facility as soon as possible and always be proud that we the students did it, in getting this facility which in the past years has never been done. We can achieve this by team work.

4. To get donations from parents, alumni or anyone, which will be put in good deed in trying to build the cam-

pus center as soon as possible.

You the students can make the difference. Vote for the one you believe can help make your WPI stay better and will listen to your ideas in what you want. I believe I'm your man who can represent you the students in doing my best to make your stay better. Long live WPI!

On-Campus Senator- Ryan Daly

Dear Student Body,

Well, once again it's time for Senatorial elections and once again I am asking for your vote for on-campus Senator. You elected me last year because we agreed on the same ideals. WPI has a lot, but needs more. It's self evident that the social scene needs much improvement, (understatement of the year). Politicians have forever come before us with hollow promises, but I am not a politician, (ask anyone) and my promises are as solid as the very ground we walk on. If re-elected, I once again promise you a proven leader. I care about what happens to the student populace. I am an experienced, dedicated and reliable Senator. Vote for me.

RE-ELECT RYAN P. DALY for ON CAMPUS SENATOR

On-Campus Senator - Nat Fairbanks

I've been doing time on the senate for two years now, and believe it or not, I still want to be on the senate. I'm highly involved with leadership on this campus and would appreciate your vote so I can be re-elected, and continue my work on the Community Council, Van Committee, and Appropriations Committee. Thanks.

On-Campus Senator- Deborah Foley

Hi!! My name is Deb Foley and I am running for on-campus senator. I am a freshmen, who lives in Riley. I was very involved in my high school and I really hope you give me the opportunity to be more involved in student government here at WPI. I thank you for your vote.

On-Campus Senator- Amanda Huang

Hey there!

It's Tuesday, and what are you doing tonight?

P - A - R - T - Y !!!

No, seriously, I was just trying to get your attention so that I could introduce myself. It's me

AMANDA (Nancy, in your case - Mike) HUANG

and I'm running for SGA-On-Campus Senator. So, remember, this week, just log in and,

Vote For Me. Let ME represent you!

On-Campus Senator- Kirk Jalbert

Each year, with the mailing of their tuition, thousands of students dedicate themselves to WPI in hopes of bettering their future. When dealing with such an important investment, wouldn't it be nice to know whether or not the schools is being utilized to fit your interests? Through student government, the student body can exercise its influence to ensure that its interests are indeed met in areas such as student life, athletics, and academics.

I feel it is crucial for people to become actively involved in shaping their surroundings and, for this reason, I have decided to run for the position of Senator in the WPI Student Government Association. If elected, I will do my very best to represent the students' interests in an effort to help in getting the most out of our WPI investments.

On-Campus Senator- Robert Kraus

Students of WPI, it has come to the time in which you must choose whether or not you want your college experience to be worthwhile. It is the time to insure that your years here will bear fruit. Now is the time to elect your Senators. It all comes down to who you vote for. My name is Rober Kraus and I am running for just those reasons.

A Senator worth choosing has to be one with the enthusiasm to do the job required, an honest determination to work hard, and the motivation to give those who elected that person nothing less than they deserve. I know that I'm that type of person.

I possess all of these qualities along with an incredible capacity for applying myself to any task. I have a formidable record of student government and academic activity from high school, and I pride myself on being an excellent worker, scholar, thinker, listener, and speaker. You'll easily discover that if I am elected, you'll have made the right choice. I've come here to WPI as a freshmen with one of my main goals being the chance to work for you in student government.

I trust that all of you will make the right decision when election time comes, and I hope that the person you elect is the right one for the job

On Campus Senator - Michael Rodriguez

Hello all! My name is Michael Rodriguez, I am a first year student here Majoring in Mechanical engineering. I am running for one of the on campus Senator positions. I feel that it is extremely important to get involved in campus activities early in my career here at W.P.I. This is the major reason I am running the Student Senate. If I am elected I will be open to your opinions or suggestions and will maintain communication with the student body. I will try to the best of my ability to address, resolve or reach a compromise on problems brought to my attention by an individual or organization. I will act as your mouthpiece and voice opinions of the student body on issues that effect you.. So remember when the day comes to vote, put a check next to my name, Michael Rodriguez. Thank you!!

On-Campus Senator- Josh Single

I want to see this school and campus improved. I see the senate as a way to accomplish this. Too many times students talk about change such as the Campus Center and the parking lot on Higgins Lower Lawn however they do not have a means to channel their energy. Through the actions of the senate and the leadership of the SGA executives, the students were finally given a voice. The parking lot was postponed and the Campus Center is becoming a reality. I want to continue this positive attitude and action towards change.

On-Campus Senator- Danielle Snow

I am running for a Senator position in the Student Government Association. I hope to be elected to this position by you so that I can play an active role in the decision making process at WPI. I have already begun involving myself in the WPI Community. I joined the Women's Tennis Team, which I am enjoying very much, and I was elected by the SGA to be the Class of 1997 representative to the Community Council. I have attended several SGA meetings to familiarize myself with their government even more. I hope that you will support me so that I may represent you and your interests here at WPI.

On-Campus Senator- Donald Socha
Well, my third year at WPI has just

reached the apex of its beginning and once again I am presented with the ever confusing question that is summed up in the Confucian proverb: "Is it really better to keep your mouth shut and make people think you are stupid than open it and prove them right". This year I am running for senate. I would really appreciate the chance to improve WPI and be your voice in student government. It is especially important that the upcoming improvements fit the needs of students now and in the future. I am involved in the Crew team and I am photographer for Newspeak. I have just become a Eucharistic Minister and I want to be your next Senator.

PS. Smile you only have two weeks of A-term left!

On-campus senator - Justin Sprague

I, Justin Sprague, am a sophomore this year. I am asking for your support in my campaign for SGA on-campus senator. In the position, I will represent the student body to the best of my availability. I am an advocate for more student input on all facets of campus life and will always be available to bring issues to the attention of both the SGA and the administration. I also favor greater student involvement as well, feeling that a college is only as strong as the students that are involved with it. I again ask for your support in the elections by asking you to check the box for me, Justin Sprague.

Off-Campus

Off campus senator - Daniel Corriveau

The beginning of the new school year not only brought the Class of 1997 into our "WPI Community" but it brought WPI to a very crucial point in our school's future. The school's new commitment to the Campus Center, the continued work on the school's parking problem, the work done by the Blue Ribbon Task Force, and the questions of unity and diversity have placed the future of WPI in our hands. For this future to be as bright and productive as the well known past of our school, it will not only take work by the members of SGA but also work from the "WPI Community" as a whole. As an Off-Campus Senator I plan to implement further programs to help keep the "WPI Community" informed and most of all involved in the

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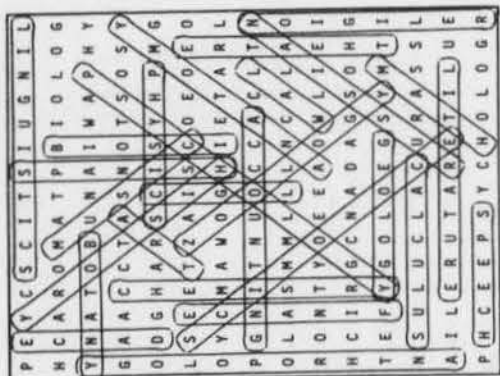
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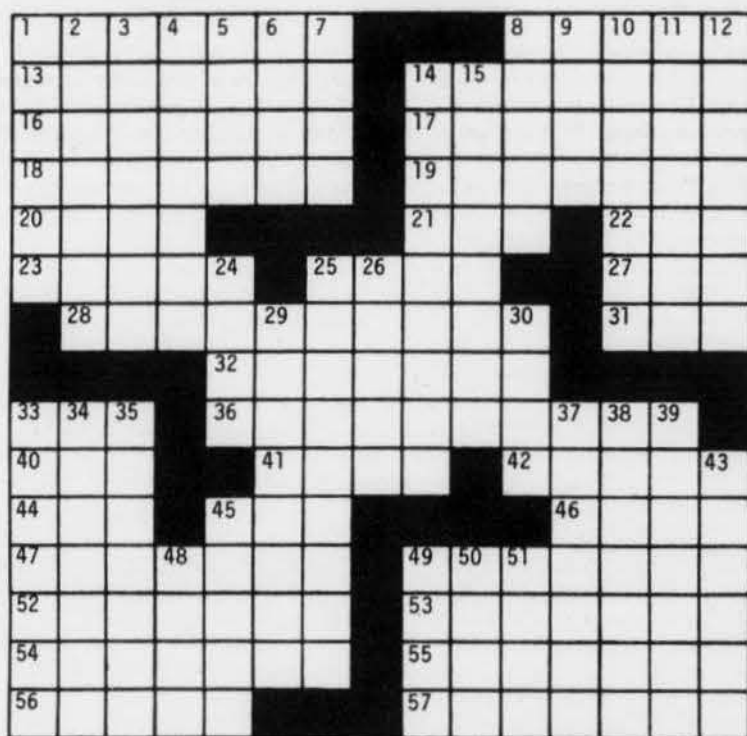
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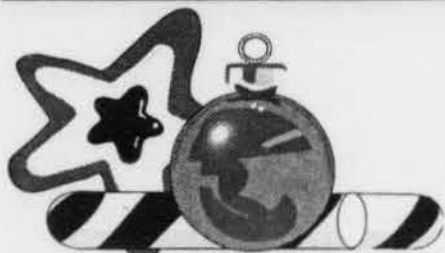
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COMMENTARY

TFM

Student written programs

by Megazone

Hello once again, I hope the term is going well for everyone. I've an announcement this week, there is now an official TFM account at WPI. You can send email about the column to 'tfm', and 'f tfm' will return phone numbers, to call for system help, or questions and comments on the column. The TFM articles have also been relocated from my account to the new 'tfm' account. Current articles are located in '-tfm' as tfm*, and last year's archives are stored in '-tfm/9293' as tfm*.Z. In both cases * is the article number, remember to use 'zmore' to read compressed files.

The Help Desk has been receiving questions on printing out articles from news groups. One way to do this is to save the article to a file, then print the file out as any other. However, there is a much easier way. In 'rn' or 'trn', while displaying an article, you can send it directly to the printer using the '| (pipe) command. '|' is used to send the article through a command under your login shell. To print, use '| print', and it will print on the central line printer in the CCC. In 'tin' the 'o' command is used to print the article.

This week I've decided to cover some of the student written programs at WPI. There are many more than those I plan to cover, but I'm going to stick to the ones I know are reliable and are likely to remain for some time. The CCC staff decided that some of these programs

were so widely used that they established an official directory, '/usr/local/stubin', to store them. The most commonly used programs in stubin are the send programs which allow users at WPI to send short messages to each other, without resorting to the intrusive 'talk' program. There are two such programs, 's' and 'snd', which take different approaches to the same problem.

Both work basically the same. [s/snd username "message"] will send your message to the specified user, if the user is not logged in your machine both will attempt to locate the user and send to their machine. If the user is not logged in, both programs will tell you so and exit. Both programs support '-h' as a help flag, displaying the programs' options, and '-a' which will send to all of the specified user's screens. 'snd' allows you to customize your send prompt by adding a line to your .login as follows: setenv SENDPROMPT 'Your prompt [n]: [m]' [n] will insert your username, located where you wish, alternatively [c] will capitalize the username. [m] will be the location of the message when you send them.

's' is more complex, and it allows for more flexibility. It uses two files in your account, .sendrc and .received. To set these up, run 's -setup'. The first time you run 's -setup' it will create these files in your account with the defaults. After that, running it will set the file permissions properly for 's' to access them, so there is no need to worry about losing your

customizations. .sendrc is a resource file 's' uses to store the user's options selections. .received is used to store received messages. ('snd' will store its messages there too if a user has the file, but 'snd' doesn't have a setup option.) There are a number of options for 's', to modify them you need to edit the .sendrc.

The other commonly used stubin program is 'locate'. 'locate -h' will display the help screen with the list of options. The most common usage is simply 'locate username'. This will return the current machine the user is logged in on. '-v' will also show when the user logged in, where they are on from, and their current idle time. '-l' will return the last login for a user, useful if you are trying to figure out where a friend is, or has been. And '-u' will locate the machine with the least number of users if you are looking for a machine to do a lot of work on.

There are other programs that are rather useful that are not, yet, installed in stubin. These programs are stored in the accounts of different users, and are not in the normal path for everyone. Therefore, it is useful to create aliases for these programs. If you have problems with these, write to the author, not to the CCC. You can add aliases to your .cshrc in the following format: alias your-alias 'path-to-program'; ie. alias tree '~ralf/bin/tps'. I'll refer to the programs by their path first, then just their name. You would use your alias. All of them, except 'fm', support '-h' for help.

'~ralf/bin/tps' displays a users process tree.

'tps username' is the standard call, and it must be run on the users machine. There is no need to login to a machine to run a job there, run a remote-shell, or 'rsh', instead. 'rsh machine command', in this case 'rsh machine tps username'.

'~ear/bin/freex' displays a graphic representation of the various workstation labs, as chosen. The machines are displayed as they are in the lab, and the machines user is shown. If a machine is not in use, it is labeled as free. 'freex -lab', not naming a lab will default to '-ccc'. The other options are '-os', '-vlsi', '-vlsi2', '-cad', '-graphics', '-mathlab', '-ce', '-kaven', '-zoo', and '-gradlab'.

'~ear/bin/fm' simply displays the number of free modems.

'~ear/bin/sw', or Super-Who, displays the current system users in a graphic format which shows where they are located.

'~tefler/bin/cmailst' is used to test a username to see if they have new mail. This is useful in that a friend can quickly check your mail status for you, so that you need not login if you have no new mail. Usage, 'cmailst username'.

Remember, the programs that are not in stubin may move when students leave WPI, as happened recently.

If you have any questions or comments on TFM, please email to tfm@wpi. And, as always, if you need help with computing at WPI, contact the Help Desk. Email box5888, mail Box 5888, or call 831-5888. Until next time.

ATTENTION ALL STUDENT EMPLOYEES (GRADS AND UNDERGRADS)

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there can be a greater sense of unity not only between the administration and the students but among the students themselves; along with this sense of unity both a brighter future and present for WPI. The first step in this process, is for you, "The WPI Community", to place your vote

for a Senator on election day.

Off-Campus Senator - Lexie Chutoransky

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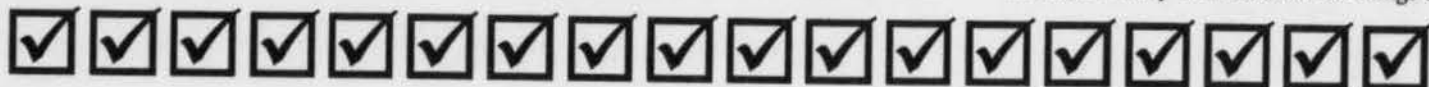
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COMMENTARY

TFM

Student written programs

by Megazone

Hello once again, I hope the term is going well for everyone. I've an announcement this week, there is now an official TFM account at WPI. You can send email about the column to 'tfm', and 'f tfm' will return phone numbers, to call for system help, or questions and comments on the column. The TFM articles have also been relocated from my account to the new 'tfm' account. Current articles are located in '~tfm' as tfm*, and last year's archives are stored in '~tfm/9293' as tfm*.Z. In both cases * is the article number, remember to use 'zmore' to read compressed files.

The Help Desk has been receiving questions on printing out articles from news groups. One way to do this is to save the article to a file, then print the file out as any other. However, there is a much easier way. In 'rn' or 'trn', while displaying an article, you can send it directly to the printer using the '|' (pipe) command. '|' is used to send the article through a command under your login shell. To print, use '| print', and it will print on the central line printer in the CCC. In 'tin' the 'o' command is used to print the article.

This week I've decided to cover some of the student written programs at WPI. There are many more than those I plan to cover, but I'm going to stick to the ones I know are reliable and are likely to remain for some time. The CCC staff decided that some of these programs

were so widely used that they established an official directory, '/usr/local/stubin', to store them. The most commonly used programs in stubin are the send programs which allow users at WPI to send short messages to each other, without resorting to the intrusive 'talk' program. There are two such programs, 's' and 'snd', which take different approaches to the same problem.

Both work basically the same. [s/snd username "message"] will send your message to the specified user, if the user is not logged in your machine both will attempt to locate the user and send to their machine. If the user is not logged in, both programs will tell you so and exit. Both programs support '-h' as a help flag, displaying the programs' options, and '-a' which will send to all of the specified user's screens. 'snd' allows you to customize your send prompt by adding a line to your .login as follows: setenv SENDPROMPT 'Your prompt [n]: [m]' [n] will insert your username, located where you wish, alternatively [c] will capitalize the username. [m] will be the location of the message when you send them.

's' is more complex, and it allows for more flexibility. It uses two files in your account, .sendrc and .received. To set these up, run 's -setup'. The first time you run 's -setup' it will create these files in your account with the defaults. After that, running it will set the file permissions properly for 's' to access them, so there is no need to worry about losing your

customizations. .sendrc is a resource file 's' uses to store the user's options selections. .received is used to store received messages. ('snd' will store its messages there too if a user has the file, but 'snd' doesn't have a setup option.) There are a number of options for 's', to modify them you need to edit the .sendrc.

The other commonly used stubin program is 'locate'. 'locate -h' will display the help screen with the list of options. The most common usage is simply 'locate username'. This will return the current machine the user is logged in on. '-v' will also show when the user logged in, where they are on from, and their current idle time. '-l' will return the last login for a user, useful if you are trying to figure out where a friend is, or has been. And '-u' will locate the machine with the least number of users if you are looking for a machine to do a lot of work on.

There are other programs that are rather useful that are not, yet, installed in stubin. These programs are stored in the accounts of different users, and are not in the normal path for everyone. Therefore, it is useful to create aliases for these programs. If you have problems with these, write to the author, not to the CCC. You can add aliases to your .cshrc in the following format: alias your-alias 'path-to-program'; ie. alias tree '~ralf/bin/tps'. I'll refer to the programs by their path first, then just their name. You would use your alias. All of them, except 'fm', support '-h' for help.

'~ralf/bin/tps' displays a users process tree.

'tps username' is the standard call, and it must be run on the users machine. There is no need to login to a machine to run a job there, run a remote-shell, or 'rsh', instead. 'rsh machine command', in this case 'rsh machine tps username'.

'~ear/bin/freeex' displays a graphic representation of the various workstation labs, as chosen. The machines are displayed as they are in the lab, and the machines user is shown. If a machine is not in use, it is labeled as free. 'freeex -lab', not naming a lab will default to '-ccc'. The other options are '-os', '-vlsi', '-vlsi2', '-cad', '-graphics', '-mathlab', '-ce', '-kaven', '-zoo', and '-gradlab'.

'~ear/bin/fm' simply displays the number of free modems.

'~ear/bin/sw', or Super-Who, displays the current system users in a graphic format which shows where they are located.

'~tefler/bin/cmailst' is used to test a username to see if they have new mail. This is useful in that a friend can quickly check your mail status for you, so that you need not login if you have no new mail. Usage, 'cmailst username'.

Remember, the programs that are not in stubin may move when students leave WPI, as happened recently.

If you have any questions or comments on TFM, please email to tfm@wpi. And, as always, if you need help with computing at WPI, contact the Help Desk. Email box5888, mail Box 5888, or call 831-5888. Until next time.

ATTENTION ALL STUDENT EMPLOYEES (GRADS AND UNDERGRADS)

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This will not affect the submission of weekly time sheets or biweekly timecards. All postings will be located on the Bulletin Board outside Human Resources/Payroll in the Foyer of Stratton Hall.

Gordon Library Open House

November 3
1-4pm

Watch for details in
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CLUB CORNER

AIAA

Hello again everyone. It was good to see everyone at the meeting last Thursday. We signed up for peer helpers at the meeting and everyone should get a copy of the names and phone numbers of the helpers. We also discussed a model rocket launch on October 30 or 31, depending on the turnout and weather. If you are interested, you can contact one of the officers. There is a list of officers posted outside Higgins Labs Room 109. There are also other announcements about AIAA there, so check it out.

We are very fortunate to have Dr. Lindburg coming to speak with us on Wednesday October 13. Dr. Lindburg is a graduate who has been working on the Pegasus Satellite Launch System. He will be sharing his experiences and thoughts with us. Watch the AIAA bulletin board and your e-mail for time and place. The Northeast Section of AIAA will hold its annual picnic on Saturday October 16. Time and place are posted on the bulletin board. Please contact Nick Mollo if you are interested in attending. It's a great place to make job contacts Juniors and Seniors!!

Finally, our next meeting will be held on October 28. Check your E-mail when you get back from break this time and place. Also, dues are due before this meeting, \$15 national and \$5 local. If you already sent in your national dues, don't forget the local. You send them to Kim Nucifora Box 2344. If you don't pay the local dues, you won't hear about AIAA anymore, so make sure you get them in.

That's about it for this week. Don't forget, if you are interested in joining AIAA, contact an officer. Hope to see you at the meeting!

Alpha Phi Omega

Hi all it's me again your friendly overworked and under-hugged publicity chair. Tonight is party at Marc's, where we will get to party with all of Clark's new pledges as well as all the people from Central Connecticut State, and maybe I might even get to meet Mary from Worcester State. Ya right! Anyways there are lots of projects ranging from Conclave Fall '94 to reading day at the Millbury St. School. Well I guess I should be getting back to my research papers... damned this end of the term stuff is getting me down. Also my weekly shout outs: Sly and I are running for SGA senate so vote for us! Kim: Did you lose your calendar again? Dan W.: hi..now you've been in two weeks in a row. Marc: See they get to tear up your place instead of mine! hdsafkj (oops Pixel ran across the keyboard....stupid cat) till next week YILFS JSG

Christian Bible Fellowship

The end of the term is in sight and "busy" seems to be the description everyone gives when asked how they are doing. As far as I know, there is nothing beyond the usual happenings these last two weeks of school. Friday night meetings continue to happen at 7:00 p.m. in Higgins 101, Wednesday night Prayer and Share in Fuller Labs Beckett conference room also at 7:00 p.m., Saturday morning sports, and our DAKA luncheon in Founders on Tuesday.

"Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever." (Psalm 107:1). So far this term, I have focused on how God relates to us. Today I would like to remind us about how we should relate to God. Consider this: how many times have you taken time out of your day this past week to praise God? Or how often have you made praising God part of whatever else you are doing?

"Rejoice in the Lord always" (Philippians 4:4). When we can praise God during everything that goes on during the course of a day, we can probably say we are rightly related to God. And when we are rightly related to God, it is a lot easier to allow ourselves to truly "trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge him" (Proverbs 3:5-6). When that happens, God "will make your paths straight" (vs. 6).

Does this mean we have to somehow obey some set of rules in praising God? Not at all. In fact, if you look at it that way, I do not see how you could ever truly praise God. Our praise for God should overflow in an uncontrollable manner not unlike what Jesus said: "if they [his followers] keep quiet, the stones will cry out." (Luke 19:40).

BiLAGA

Hi all!

The last meeting was a success, we've a few new names on our mailing list and bunches of ideas...

UNH is having a dance next Friday, October 9. If you'd like to go, please let me know,

or contact the group either by e-mail (bilaga@wpi) or at Box 5965.

The next meeting is Wednesday, October 6, at 20:00, at the usual place. We'll be talking about planning for National Coming Out Day which is October 11th (next Sunday), more on the forming of a consortium group, the UNH dance, and coffeehouses. PLEASE be there if at all possible; to be a good group we need people to be involved...

National Coming Out Day is October 11. Come out to a friend, RA, or professor. If you want to talk to someone and feel you've got nobody around you who'd understand, send a note. All mail is absolutely confidential, whether in mailbox or per e-mail.

The President

WPI Bowling Club

The WPI Bowling Club is preparing for the start of the 1993-94 season, the twentieth anniversary season of the 1974 National Championship. 1993-94 will bring a national scope to the WPI Bowling Program, with possible appearances at The Atlantic City Invitational, The Brunswick Northeast Showdown, ACU-I Regionals, YABA Collegiate Division Sectionals, and hopefully culminating in an appearance at the 1994 IBC or ACU-I National Championships in April. Also, the team will be competing in the Tri-State Conference again this year.

New bowlers are always welcome to join the club on a recreational basis or the team on a competitive basis. Both start in B-term, and anyone who is interested and has not contacted us is invited to send a note to Brian Gibson, Box 2223 or Clark Cardimino, Materials Dept. Those who have been in contact with us already will receive an information packet before the end of A-term in their student mailboxes. In the meantime, practice, practice, practice.

The WPI Bowling Center is open to any member of the WPI community on Friday and Saturday nights through the end of A-term from 5 PM to 11 PM. Even if you're not interested in the Men or Women's Bowling Teams, you're invited to come down and bowl a few games. The WPI Bowling Center is located in the basement of Alumni Gym. The prices are hard to beat: 80 cents per game and 25 cents for shoe rental. A group of four people can spend one and one half hours at the center for under \$ 3.00 per person. Lanes are almost always available, but you can call ahead and check (sorry, reservations are not taken) at 831-5510.

Women's Chorale

Hello once again! Homecoming was absolutely fantastic!!! I hope that you all had a super time. What a football game, huh? And all the alumni. It was really great seeing them all again. They are greatly missed. For those of you who are freshman, you will understand more next year when this year's Seniors graduate and they are gone. Remember to give your dues to Karen. Everyone who is interested in trying out for the small group, auditions are starting next week. Try out even if you are not sure. You will regret it if you don't! The pops concert is on November 6. Mark your calendars. I will be putting together a calendar for those of you who care. Just give me a second... This Thursday is Bagel Day (Group # 2). Sell those bagels girls!!! Until next week, adios!

GAP

Hi Gapsters! Well, we had another great meeting with GEAE on Thursday, thanks to all of you who came. We're really starting to get the ball rolling on our recycling plans! Anyone interested in helping out can email me at jen@wpi.edu, we'd appreciate all the help we can get. There will probably be another joint meeting on Wednesday, October 6th, check your email for verification on that. Until next week, stay happy and healthy!

Glee Club

First the important stuff. We are rehearsing at Trinity Lutheran Church on Thursday night. It's on the corner of Salisbury and Lancaster, near TKE. We are also singing mass there this weekend. Also don't forget about Oct. 15. We are inviting the Women's Chorale, Regis, Wells, and Holy Cross to party with us. And if you haven't paid your social fee, please do so soon; we may need the money for the party. Other than that, concentrate on finishing up well in your classes. If you need help in any class, see Louis immediately. He can work wonders.

Tonight is Tuesday Night Club night. This time it's being held in the Hood, down at Jeb's, Matt's and Dan's apartment. I'm not exactly sure what they have planned, but I

have devised my own special event for the night. Since the High on the Hilltop contest ends tonight, I propose that each entree sing their own version of the Alma Mater. Then we can all vote on them. So, if you've rewritten the alma mater, and you really want to win the contest, you must show up and sing your new version. And now this week's Top Ten List: Top Ten Ways to Know It's Time to Punt a Class.

10. When you can't remember exactly where the class meets anymore.

9. When students start offering you money to bring down the curve.

8. When watching reruns of Geraldo is more entertaining than going to class.

7. If selling your books for pizza money seems like a business adventure.

6. If you wake up every morning and you can't seem to figure out exactly where you are.

5. When you start using pages of your text book for wall paper.

4. When you start handing in homework with puke stains on it.

3. If you can't remember the name of the course or the course number.

2. If you can't remember the last time you went to that class.

1. If your professor calls on you and you respond "Heh, heh, heh, heh, heh."

Hillel

Hope everyone had a good holiday season! Did you get to "experience" a Sukkah (at Clark or a local synagogue)? Well, life seems pretty uneventful now that all those holidays are over... but never fear! Hillel is still holding services on Friday night at Clark. Meet in the wedge at 6:00 if you would like to come. For those of you who have missed the past few meetings with Rabbi Wasserman, he will continue to come to the CRC for Bible discussion sessions on a weekly basis.

I would like to wish everyone good luck with your classes and hope you get psyched for the break (don't we need it).... only another week or so! SHALOM.

Hispanic Students Association

Hello, once again!!! Last meeting was a success! 27 people showed up and 5 reached me to tell me that they could not make it! Everyone be aware:

LATIN WEEK IS THE FIFTH WEEK OF B TERM (Nov 28-Dec 5) GET INVOLVED NOW!!!

Thanks! What are we going to do in our special week? Three things:

A Dinner, a Party and... Why spoil the surprise for the rest of the people? I will tell you what it is going to be on our meeting, this Thursday 7 4:30 pm Salisbury Labs. Be there!

Officers and committee's chairmen meeting tonight 7pm in Gordon Library, be there or make up a believable excuse and let me know BEFORE the meeting. Otherwise kiss your position BYE-BYE! (Yes, I can do that! Worse, I really want to do that!) Dumb me! I almost forgot our cool committees are:

Banquet Comm: Jorge, Clarissa, Enrique, you...

Publicity Comm: Manuel, Carlos M, Javier, Gustavo...

Third event Comm: (I said I was not going to spoil the surprise!) Sam, Vanessa, Diego...

Public Relations(party) Comm: Bobby, Felix, Hector, Sombra, Krogen, you...

Yes! You can be part of two committees. I already talked to some of you, but it is real important that everyone shows up for this meeting! Be ready to give me the info on what you are to cook and who is going to be cooking with you, please two or three people per team.

Where did I put the paper with the info on the BBQ and the party this weekend?

I can't find it right now, so I guess I'll tell you at the meeting.

Miss the meeting, miss the party; miss the party, we will miss you at the party... but we will have a lot of fun anyways!!!

Problems, questions, dating tricks, discounts coupons, used tests and anything else e-mail czapata.

Lens and Lights

Hey! Hoping y'all survived Homecoming Weekend (and that it wasn't quite as infamously memorable as last year's Fall Weekend!)

Would all you ladies in the back row please try to control yourselves at tomorrow's meeting?!

The following special feature has been brought to you by our own Derek Shute and the Home Office in Worcester, MA:

THE TOP 10 MOST PAINFUL LNL ACTIVITIES

10. Licking 3-Phase
9. S1's in Newell Hall
8. Events where no one speaks English!
7. Catching a finger in the splicer (it's been done.. OUCH!)

6. Anything involving the Lower Wedge, S2's, L2's and having to set up iron

5. "...anyone?...anyone?... Bueller?... OK, we'll come back to that one..."

4. Nai Ni Chen

3. One word: "ZORCH!"

2. Catching the Alden A-Frame in the crotch (really happened)

and the Number One Most Painful LNL Activity is:

"Hey! Where did all my crew go? The towers and stacks still have to go back to Harrington..."

Last week's LNL Trivia(I) Question was a SMASHING success... Now, for this week's:

What is an/the Alden Swing?

Now, if you submitted a question and I didn't use it, don't be offended, I just got TOO many and I am going in order of receipt.

SUBMIT, SUBMIT, SUBMIT!!

Elections for Secretary are coming up in a few weeks, and we will also be doing a training event at some point...

That's it for this week... see y'all at the meeting tomorrow: Remember, Higgins 224 at 5:10!!!

Oh, and BTW: Fubar is a sado-masochist! (Grin)

Can I hold your olives, Mikey?

Masque

Well, as of noon yesterday the cast of *The House of Blue Leaves* was known, and their first read through is tonight at 7. Break a leg, all. The Next Production meeting for the show will be next Tuesday (Oct. 12) at 6.

M.W. Repertory Theater Co. Etc. will be producing two one-act comedies this Thursday, Friday, and Saturday in Gompei's. The shows are *The Ugly Duckling* and *The Whole Shebang*.

Masque is WPI's own theater troupe, we have weekly meeting in the green room (behind alden stage) at 4:30 Friday afternoons; then we go to Theo's and have a good time. We have our own mailing group that will keep you informed of all important masque events (it's never used for personal use). If you are interested in becoming part of this mailing list email crimson@wpi.

M.W. Repertory Theater Co. Etc. is another theater group on campus that produces different types of productions, if you have dreams of directing your own show, talk to these people. They have no set meeting time, although if you talk to anyone in masque they will point you in the correct direction.

Math Club

PME/Math Club club corner for the 5th October 93 issue of Newspeak. Sent by Ray Adams box: 1514 e-mail: rayadams@wpi.

Pi Mu Epsilon and Math Club members: Don't forget about the Fall picnic on Friday 8th October 1993 at 4:30pm! It is on the upper lawn of Higgins House behind Olin Hall. We will have all the traditional junk food on hand - burgers, hotdogs, etc. Also we will have a volleyball net set up in case our members want to play a friendly game against the professors. Stop by and socialize! PROJECT ALERT - On the same day at 4:00pm in SH202 Professor Fehribach will discuss the Industrial Clinic Projects with interested students. This is a new program that offers participants real world project experience. If you don't have an MQP be there! Don't worry, you won't miss the picnic.

WPI Men's Crew Team

Good turnout for homecoming guys. Just like with other groups we tend to depend on alumni for funds every now and then and the Alumni Race is the biggest event of the year to get in touch with them. Also good job at the Textiles. I know you might have expected more, but it was only the first race of the season. And I know that around every corner you just couldn't wait for the finish line, but that's the way Fall races go - on and on and on....

Remember that Casino night at the Mariot is this Friday and since this is our biggest fundraiser of the year I expect everyone to show. It really is a lot of fun and I guarantee you'll have a good time, so just smile a lot and be merry. This Sunday is the Head of the Connecticut. This is a lot bigger than the Textile, but again just row hard and have a good time. Remember that if you win I guarantee you'll feel no pain. Just give it your all. ROW TEAM ROW!!!

And Dom, I do believe that was a complaint, drop and give me ten!

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GREEK CORNER

AXP

Welcome back again to the Crow Corner. Business first: This weekend was Homecoming and what a blast (err...from the WAY past!). Also, I hope that all the RUSHEES enjoyed Riverside on Sunday, and Casino Night on Monday. If all precedents hold true, there are probably now a good 5 neon lights illuminating the Freshmen dorms on the Hill. Congrats Guys!! And RUSHEES, don't miss Thursday's trip to Milbury Amusement Park...where a long golfball drive will leave you nicely on the MASS PIKE!! Coming up on Saturday will be our semi-annual trip to Purgatory Chasm - and our annual burial of the hung over brother of the day. "Excuse me - but are you alive?" Now on to the High Lights of the Week.

Chances are that Shaftsky has secretly won this award again... but in other news House re-installs the duties of Ho-Mo to its rightful owners: namely Nate, Sgt. York, and well why not, SuperDave. Which award was won this year for the GolfHole Competition? Goldfish?... I mean, Gold? or was it another wash-up? (ha-ha on the gym crew) Good job though guys!!! And finally to all those Crows within an earshot of this quote - "well... it might be purely coincidental but..."

ΑΓΔ

A week later, only a few weeks to go; half way done. I must start with a word not many will understand but it's a must "DOINK!"

Homecoming's come and gone, and it was great to see all the Alumni. The parties were all great, the company better. Thanks to Annabella for taking care of the banner for me - it was a great help! I hope everyone enjoyed the Pot Luck Dinner Friday. Karen, our golf hole kicks butt.

We have some important events coming up: Exec. Council is Sunday and Fiji and Sig Pi is this weekend.

Happy Birthday to you, Happy Birthday to you, Happy birthday "to whom it may concern," Happy Birthday to you. Phone chain upon phone chain; all's there is are answering machines. We all seem pretty busy this term but don't forget your sisters! Christine, we still need to bake cookies; from scratch.

...New letters with Tiggers and Poohs! Gotta love it...

Aimee's come and gone, and she's given us a lot of great advice; let's put it to good use.

Thanks to Ellen for coming and speaking with us.

I talked to Kari. She says hello to everyone. Hello to all our sisters away this term.

Sorry this is so short, but life was hectic this week.

ΔΦΕ

Well, here it is, just another day... or is it? Has everyone checked their mail boxes. I just have one word that I can put in print, and that is closeminded, or is it supposed to be two. I would pick up the nearest dictionary, but I, along with MOST of us, know the meaning of the word.

I'd like to thank Mike Conklin and the rest of Lambda Chi for working with us on the golf hole for homecoming. We make a great team, however, next time we go get supplies, we should take a truck, we could have killed someone. And thanks again to Lambda Chi for the 12 white roses invite to Double Vision Monday... we can each get our own flower! Isn't that sweet? I do have to apologize to Joe for my mistake. Sorry, Manley. I got it right this time.

So much has happened this week, I can't think straight. It was great to see everyone at the Rush Workshop... we all had a great time. Daring Donna, Luscious Lisa, Amiable Amy, Dynamic Delphine, Joyful Juila, Gail the Great, Mischievous Martha, Ravishing Rachel, Krazy Kristen (ok, so, crazy doesn't start with a "k", but you try to think of an adjective that begins with "k"). Did I forget anyone? Hi Maria... you are shedding the old ball and chain this weekend, right?

Proverb of the Week: Never hold the flammable tissue over the flame, no matter how sedated you are. This is good advice for my room mate to follow. If you burn us all down, I my die, but my computer will burn up too, and then what will you have to gain? Thanx for the ride to the mall Matz... now I've got my Aladdin tape and we can watch it any time. Too bad you went to Friendly's instead for tacos, I had the Friends of John Society's living legion over for dinner...

There is soo much I want to say, but I can't, or just don't know how to say it...

FIJI

Well, I'd first like to apologize to everyone for slacking off and not getting a corner in yet. Anyway, having not written a corner in a while, I'm a little rusty. On the brighter side it gives me plenty of stuff to write about. To begin, I'd like to congratulate both of my roomies, "Baby Huey" for soiling the unsoiled and to "Forty-head" for being successful in most of his late night party swoops. On the subject of hook-ups, congrats to the "ASS" for somehow managing to drag some poor girl back and, by the way, HAPPY HOLIDAYS goes out to the ASS. I'd like to commend Simon for his victory in "pre" season wrestling, just wanted to remind you that girls aren't worthy opponents, but thanks for keeping things under control (I'm sure Z-man was also thankful). Also to you "Bush whacker", keep it to your room. To your roomie, I'm happy to see your still the one and only "Love Muffin". On the subject of marriage, we're all happy to see that our President is back on his feet after that crushing blow he was dealt last C-term. Rumor has it he may even have a date. "Jon" and "Micheal Edward" have officially been taken out of the game and are now sporting the "ball and chain" look, currently very popular with our senior class. EHH...Hm. Breaking from this line of writing we'd all like to thank Whitey and Rick for the excellent job they have been doing on the house. It is looking better every day and we appreciate your hard work. Great job to everyone who dragged

their bones out of bed for the Walktoberfest on Sunday. Get psyched for the car wash next week as you know your all cordially invited. Good job Bushe' and Berge'. Finally, FRESH-MAN you are all more than welcome to come for lunch any day between 10:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. We're hoping to see more of you guys. Well, this is getting long so until next week... God Luv Ya.

ΛΧΑ

This has truly been an eventful week. First of all, welcome to the ELC, Scott, we truly appreciate all your help and ideas. It's good to know that we are on the right track to chartering. Let's keep the momentum going.

Our football intramural team won against Theta Chi last Thursday night with a score of 14-6. It was a great game and next time we need as many brothers can attend to cheer on the team. I hope that everyone had a great time at homecoming. Thanks to all the alumni that showed up. Thanks also to all the brothers and all of the sisters of Delta Phi Epsilon who put together the golf hole. Upcoming events for next week include Improv Night and Wacky Olympics. Don't miss them. Also don't forget to vote for SGA senators on Friday. From now on, save all the bags you get from the supermarkets. We need them for the food drive. Ask all your friends to do the same, we'll need as many as we can get. That's it for now, see you all tonight.

ΦΚΘ

I'd like to start by thanking AGD for their composite, and the inside source that helped us get it. On a sadder note Big Bad Billy is sweet Willy now, thanks to the widow. Matty, the rumor is that you'reS on a quest to be the next Randy West but lately you seem to be a little Haggard. Soon you'll have competition, now that Hogan's seen a lotta red. The Dorm D.J. Crew continues to reel in the years but they could do without Walsh's Mr. Roboto Complex.

Three cheers go out to Pete for his meal plan.

Shletz, your new lake KAP should bring an interesting twist to basketball. Now that the furnitures arrived, will miracles never since.

Guz Proverb: Friends sucks. KTFB!!!

ΦΣΣ

Hey Phi Sig Sigs!
Thanks to everyone who showed up to support us at Papa Gino's on Sunday (great job organizing things Piggy!). Also, thanks go out to the guys at Alpha Chi Rho for helping us with our golf hole, returning our pretty sign, and hosting the second annual 3 on 3 basketball game (next time we won't let you guys win!). Thanks to Leigh Barry and everyone else who helped build our golf hole (does the thought of tools in Sue Crowley's hands scare anyone else?). Thanks go out to TKE for the tie-dying social yesterday! Finally, thanks to Sarah McIlhenny for coordinating the sophomore class trip to the Cape—we all had a blast!

I hope everyone had a great time on homecoming! Congratulations to the tennis team who defeated Worcester State last week—Lily, you're awesome! Also, congrats to the soccer team for defeating Mt. Holyoke last week! Finally, congrats to the field hockey team for crushing Tufts last Tuesday—keep up the hard work, you guys are awesome!

Happy birthdays go out to Julie McCullough this Saturday and Laura Roy this Sunday! Two words for you guys: OLD!!!!

In the personals this week:

-Kristi H, Kirsten, Johanna, Jen Croft, and Karen—We love you guys! Once a Phi Sig Sig, always a Phi Sig Sig.

-Good luck to BOTH Amanda Huang and Krysten Laine who are running for SGA Senator!

-Becky Kostek, great job you've done so far! Keep up the good work!

Finally, special hellos to Patti Hill & Sue Crowley (from Waz), Yvonne (from Karen), everyone else in F9, Choppin, Becca (I need Physics help), Kim S, Jen Sanna, Senya, and my big sis Kelly (you're the best!).

GO GREEK!!!!!!

LITP

TKE

Welcome once again to the TKE Corner. Casino Night last Thursday was awesome. Too bad that was all play money, I personally like writing 50-billion dollar checks. We had a great turnout, thanks to everyone who showed up, I know everyone had a fun time. Also thanks to the guys who were running around setting up beforehand. We were visited by the cookie fairie once again.

Speaking of rush, we've got the GRUDGE MATCH Thursday! Pie throwing, chocolate-sauce squirting, jell-o wrestling... This is it, the final showdown, the last word, TKE vs. AGD in what is sure to be the messiest rush event in the history of WPI. Consider yourself warned, and bring your goggles and hip boots.

Next week we have Monday Night Football for a rush event (you guess the date). There is guaranteed to be plenty of popcorn and fun. And if you're not into football, you can practice your taunting and foos skills at the foos tournament, also Monday night.

With everyone turning 21 these days, it's a wonder anything gets done before noon (all that cake makes you sleepy).

The dangerous venture into the murky depths of the small house refrigerator was indeed a smelly engagement. Many new life forms were categorized and killed.

Homecoming was a blast (prediction), our golf hole rules over all the other weak, girlie holes (fact), and Biomaterials stinks (opinion).

By the way, there's no need to worry about money for a campus center, proceeds from the Swear Jar are being donated.

Until then....

ΘΧ

All right kids, time for your weekly fix of Theta Chi. This article promises your money's worth of stupid jokes and meaningless insults. Since nothing exciting happened last week it's time to make some things up. Homecoming has come and gone and I'm writing this thing on Friday. Here are some predictions for the weekend that was:


(1) Nickolette shows up on Friday and immediately starts talking about corn-fed women. The brotherhood buys him a one way ticket to Kansas. (2) For the second year in a row Mikolaycik cannot raise the funds to come. (3) Keeping up with the name, D'Anna goes to North Carolina and wonders where the party is. (4) To welcome him back, Jesse gets a tattoo of Skippy on his chest. (5) Breda and Walczuk use the buddy system to pick up women. (6) After that one beer, Joe Graham goes on a rampage and barricades himself inside of State Liquors.

On a more serious note, congratulations to Jen, Larry's friend, for getting the first bid of the year. The brothers did a great job of rushing her, so maybe now we can rush her off to somewhere else. "The Legend" has finally fallen from grace and it's going to take something drastic to get the status back.

On that note, I think it's time to say goodbye to this sorry excuse of a school for a weekend. Take us home Guy.



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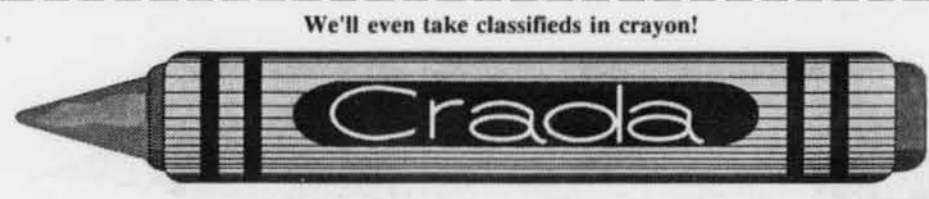
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What's Happening

Tuesday, October 5

11:00am - Biology and Biotechnology Seminar, "Forced Evolution of Proteins," Dr. Bob Lander. Salisbury Labs 105.
1:00pm to 2:30pm - WPI closed circuit T.V. Global Perspectives Program on Canada
8:00pm - Passport film: "Glengarry Glen Ross," Perreault Hall, Fuller Labs, \$1.

Wednesday, October 6

11:15am - Chemistry Colloquium, "Cellular Iron Transport," Dr. Marianne Wessling - Resnick. Goddard Hall 311.
1:00pm to 2:00pm - WPI Closed Circuit TV. Global Perspectives Program on Costa Rica.
7:00pm - Society of Women Engineers Meeting and Panel Discussion, Salisbury Labs 11.

Thursday, October 7

11:00am - AIRC (Artificial Intelligence Research Group) Seminar, Fuller Labs 311.
1:00pm to 2:00pm - WPI Closed Circuit TV. Global Perspective Program on London.
8:00pm - MWRep present *The Whole Shebang* and *The Ugly Duckling* - Gompei's Place, Admission: \$3.

Friday, October 8

9:00am to 4:00pm - SGA elections via paper ballot in Daniels Hall
1:00pm to 2:00pm - WPI Close Circuit TV. Global Perspectives Program on Taipei, Taiwan.
8:00pm - MWRep present *The Whole Shebang* and *The Ugly Duckling*. Gompei's Place. \$3.

Saturday, October 9

8:00pm - MWRep present *The Whole Shebang* and *The Ugly Duckling*. Gompei's Place. \$3.

Sunday, October 10

6:30pm and 9:30pm - Film: "Untamed Heart," Perreault Hall, Fuller Labs. \$2.

Monday, October 11

Columbus Day

1:00pm to 2:30pm WPI Closed Circuit TV. Global Perspectives Program on Venice, Italy.

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Muslim Student Association

Dear Brothers and Sisters,
Assalam-o-alaikum.

The prayer meetings on Thursday have been moved to 8:30pm. We will be mailing you the agenda for A and B term pretty soon if you have any suggestions. Please write to the MSA box at WPI. The newsletter should be in print by next week Inshallah and even though there were no articles submitted, we hope to see a more positive response next time.

Society for Medieval Arts and Sciences

All right, we've got 2 weeks in a row! So, let's just get right into the good stuff.

Item the First: This past weekend was Duckwater 1, and, as all of you know who read last week's column, it was held in Deerfield by Lucia Fiero. As some of us went to King Richard's Faire instead, we don't know what went on. Besides, that is, lots and lots of fighting. Probably some political intrigues. All that lovely stuff that makes LRPG's fun.

Item the Second: (This is not certain) Another group of people who are interested in the medieval time period, and really into the non-fighting aspect, MIGHT come around and do demonstrations and workshops. This group is SCA. I'm not entirely sure what that stands for. Some people divide their time between this group and our society, and more information will be available in upcoming corners.

Item the Third: The Feast. Being held (mainly) by Lady Cassa. Halloween night. This promises to be one of the best events of the season. However, there is one drawback. The event-holders set a limit of about 120-130 people. They are now way over that. If you didn't pre-register by Friday, October 1, you are out of luck. Sorry, better luck next year.

Item the Fourth: Practices held as usual. Well, that's it for this week. Come, join

up! Learn exciting new skills! Kill people and watch them be healed in minutes! Wear funny clothes!

Society of Pershing Rifles

Another fun filled week has passed us by here at good ol' WPI, but do not fret, there is still lots to do before the end of the term. Two thirds of the troop turned in their AAR's last week, good job. For the one not turned in, we all had a great push up session afterwards, led by our illustrious XO.

Coming up...this week we will try to have fun with every soldier's best friends, the M-16, and the all powerful M-60. We should have the weapons for this week, though I probably will not get to touch them...something about a clock tower I guess, every one should get a chance to take them apart and put them together again. For the last week of the term, which I might add, is coming up extremely fast, we will have a pizza party/study session, but do not quote me on that. You know how the staff is about F U N.

PLEDGES!!!! I have not seen one pledge pad, and I doubt anyone else has either. You are almost half way through your pledge period, and that second half will be gone before you know it. Believe me, it is much easier to get your stuff done as soon as possible. The longer you wait, the more devious the questions will be for the signatures.

Some people have actually paid their dues, which is cause for celebration in itself. But for the rest of you, the five dollar savings deal will be null and void at the end of A term. Although I hope a few of you do not pay, because then I would have nothing to write about in this little article. Tah tah.

Society of Women Engineers

O.K. everyone. We have a meeting tomorrow evening at 7:00 PM in Salisbury 011. Don't forget to bring your friends who are

interested in SWE, male or female. And bring your \$15 dues if you haven't already paid them.

On October 27, we are going to be taking a trip to Spooky World with ACM. Susan will have more information on SWE, or would like to become a member, just send e-mail to swe@wpi. See you at the meeting!

Women's Tennis

Hard work pays off! Winning streak. 4-2 record. What more could we ask for? (pizza!)

We put Regis away 9-0 and may have made WPI history by defeating Clark 5-4. (McDonald's?) Bringing in wins were singles Lauren, Alyson, and Corinne and for doubles Jen, Lauren and Ann, Lily. (HKP, Hk) Worcester State faced defeat as well, with our team score of 7-2. (If you're happy and you know it...)

Today we hit the courts against Suffolk at 3:30 and Wednesday we are up against Wheaton. Come and cheer us on. If you come early, you might catch excerpts of Sesame Street and 3-2-1 Contact!

Well that's all.

Quote of the week "Marshmallow!"



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